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Cut Casualties

By Jonathan C. Randal

Washington Post Service
JERUSALEM — Israeli security

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Yitzhak Rabin, the policy was car-

But young Palestinians defiantly

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As violence in Arab suburbs of

Jerusalem continued to mount, city

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By Patrick E. Tyler

Washington Post Service
ABOARD THE FRENCH SHIP MARNE — The commander of French naval forces in the Gulf said Wednesday that warships would fire on Iranian gunboats that reinsed to break off attacks on neutrai merchant ships when French vessels cause to the rescue: The commander, Admiral Guy

Labouerie, speaking aboard the

Senator Jesse Helms urges amendment of the INF treaty, citing serious defects. Page Z is Sunday to a New York

Marne, the flagship for the 22-ship French fleet in the Indian Ocean, said he was spelling out French rules of engagement in the area after an incident last weekend between the corvette Dupleix and Ira-nian gunboats in the Strait of Hor-

He called on all nations with warships in the region to adopt a similar posture, which he described as a "de facto" intervention to try to stop franian attacks in the name of humanitarian assistance to the crews of undefended merchant vessels calling for help. Admiral Labouerie said French

naval commanders would not seek to provoke Iran. But he said that it was necessary to state clearly how French warships would respond to mayday calls and that there were some consequences of the Iransome consequences of the fran-s. Jopin died 17 years and stranger war that we won't accept on

We cannot see other ships burning with their crews without help-

Although he insisted that he was not articulating a new policy, the admiral's statements went further toward a commitment to intervene in Iranian gunboat attacks against neutral shipping than that of any other Western nation whose war-ships are deployed in the mea. Gulf. Arab governments and shipping industry officials have

been seeking greater protection for North Korea oil tankers and caugo vessels flying so-called flags of convenience or other foreign flags and who pass unescorted through the 550-mile (890-kilometer) Gulf waterway. Iran has mounted attacks against commercial shipping in response to traoi air strikes on Iran's oil-export

shipping. French intervention, as de-See GULF, Page 6

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#### Stocks, Dollar Drop in N.Y.

NEW YORK - Prices on the New York Stock Exchange fell Wednesday, with the Dow Jones industrial average plung-ing 57.20 points. The fall was laid to weakness in technology shares and investor disappointment over a fresh decline of the

The index of 30 major stocks fell to 1,879.14 after a drop of 27.52 points Tuesday. About lour stocks declined Wednesday for every one that advanced (Page 8.)

The dollar, meanwhile, fell in New York to 1.6570 Dentsche marks, down more than 2 plennigs from 1.6795 DM at Tuesday's close. The U.S. currency fell to 127.15 Japanese yen from 128.60. (Page 13.)



Baron Philippe de Rothschild, winegrower and member of the banking family, is dead at 85. Page 6.

General News

Bruce Babbitt is behind in the U.S. presidential race, but not in press coverage.

Fellow Swedes Stefan Edberg and Mats Wilander will meet in the semifinals of the Australian



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## A U.S. Shift Is Seen Tightens On Soviet IMF Link

By Clyde H. Farnsworth

New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — President

harder line Mr. Reagan took a year ago, when he said Soviet membership in the organizations "would New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — President

Ronald Reagan has opened the door to Soviet membership in the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, provided that Moscow makes good on its talk of economic reforms, according to a policy document the White House is expected to release within days.

The new position contrasts sharply with the president's strongly stated opposition last year.

The Soviet Union has expressed interest in joining all three organi-

The policy document took note of Soviet statements about economic reforms along lines emphasizing free markets and said the United States could consider endorsing Soviet participation in the organizations provided the policy statements were "translated into positive action."

Until then, the document added, the Soviet system remained "fundamentally incompatible with participation in free-world institu-

This was a shift from the much

clearly not serve constructive pur-poses, would not be in the best interests of the West" and would cause politicization of the organi-

The American policy change was reported in the annual National Security Strategy assessment of the president, which is mandated by Congress under the Defense Reorganization Act of 1986. Mr. Reagan's chief spokesman,

Marlin Fitzwater, denied Wednesday that the administration's policy had changed, The Associated Press reported from Washington. He said of the Soviet economic system, "In essence, they don't have a free-market economy.

[Asked whether the United States would support Soviet participation if it adopted broad economic reform, Mr. Fitzwater said: "We have always said that, sure. Any country that adopts a free market economy would be worthy of consideration."]

in another substantive change, this year's report made no explicit

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SHIITE FORCES LEAVE BEJRUT CAMPS — Tanks and Palestinian refugee camp of Chatila, near Beirut. Hundreds of troops of the Lebanese Army's largely Shiite 6th Brigade Shiite Moslem Amal militiamen also pulled out of their enpreparing on Wednesday to withdraw from their positions at the campments, ending a siege that had lasted three years. Page 2.

# The Falling Dollar: Painful Lessons in Election Year Politics

By Leonard Silk New York Times Service

NEW YORK - For Americans traveling abroad or residing there and being paid in dollars, the currency's fall can be felt not only as a strain on the pocketbook but as a personal insult. Feeling over-charged, overspent and over there, they ask: "Is this what we're worth now - half what we were a few years ago?"

For the professional economist, the dollar's value is an abstraction, a function of supply and demand in the foreign exchange market, as affected by a host These factors include flows of imports and ex-

ports, disbursements of interest and dividends, capital movements, the relative level of U.S. and foreign interest rates, events in the stock markets and the

intervention of central banks. They also include relative levels of private savings and investment in the United States and abroad, the U.S. federal budget deficit, productivity changes and inflation, the growth of U.S. gross national product relative to

U.S. inflation grew a moderate 0.1 percent in December and 4.4 percent for all of 1987. Page 9.

growth abroad and, as economists now have learned to say, "expectations."

For the economist, the falling dollar may seem a very good thing for restoring equilibrium to the current balance of payments. But for the innocent abroad, the shrunken dollar is felt as a blow to purse, ego and national pride. The depreciation of his currency makes him angry, and he searches for villains: foreigners who are ripping him off or politi-

cians in his own government who are doing the same. Dollar depreciation is a kind of inflation. It not only erodes the value of money but undermines confidence in its reliability, the most important attribute of money. That makes the individual feel part of a crowd - the crowd of the cheated and humiliated.

As Elias Canetti, 1981 winner of the Nobel Prize in Literature, put it, "Inflation is a crowd phenomenon in the strictest and most concrete sense of the word." It drives together those who think they have been cheated, and unites them against those they think have cheated them. And, in the case of a runaway inflation, such as Germany's after World War I, they never forget it.

Mr. Canetti called inflation "a witches' sabbath of devaluation where men and the units of their money have the strangest effects on each other. The one stands for the other, men feeling themselves as 'bad' as their money; and this becomes worse and worse. Together they are all at its mercy and all feel equally worthless." They seek vengeance on those who they think did this to them.

Thus, Mr. Canetti warned, inflation causes something to happen that is so dangerous that anyone charged with public responsibility who is capable of foreseeing it must fear it. This thing is a "double devaluation" originating in a double identification: that of the individual with his money, and that of the individual with the crowd of the dispossessed, hostile to those dispossessed them.

The dollar's fall against other currencies does not affect everyone in the United States with the same force as domestic inflation. Still, the inflationary

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# U.S. Lists As Terrorist

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WASHINGTON — The State
Department put North Korea on its list of countries that support terrorism and announced other sanctions on Wednesday to register outrage over North Korea's alleged role in the bombing of a South Korean airliner It said North Korea did not "live

up to the standards of civilized be-

The State Department spokes-man, Charles E. Redman, said Washington had acted after concluding that "the evidence of North Korean culpability is compelling" in the destruction of Korean Air Flight 858 in November.

A 25-year-old woman who had been a passenger on an earlier leg of the flight said Friday that she was a North Korean agent and had placed a bomb on the plane. The woman, who had traveled under a false Japanese passport, said she acted under orders from Kim Jong R, the son of North Korea's leader, Kim Il Sung, to disrupt the 1988 Summer Olympics and to create mirest in South Korea.

In addition to officially naming North Korea a state sponsor of terrorism, Mr. Redman said the State Department would tighten its already strict visa controls on North Korean passport holders and reimpose a prohibition on contacts with North Korean diplo-

Mr. Redman said the U.S. action would have little practical impact on North Korea, since it was imposed under U.S. export laws and there is little if any U.S. trade with North Korea.

But he said the designation was "an important symbolic act, for it emphasizes by a formal listing our conviction that North Korea supports terrorism."

Mr. Redman also said the United States would support all efforts to bring North Korea to account, but did not provide details. Last week, South Korean officials threatened to retabate against the North Koreans. State Department officials said Seoul had told them it was not planning a military move.

Mr. Redman said that Secretary of State George P. Shultz had designated North Korea as a state sponsor of terrorism and withdrawn authorization granted in March allowing U.S. diplomats to hold "substantive discussions" with North Korean diplomats in neutral settings.

The five other countries on the U.S. list are Iran, Libya, Syria,

Cuba and Southern Yemen. The spokesman said that there had been "some contacts" but that they had not produced any results.



A militiaman, whose force backs the Afghan government, on patrol in Khost.

# In Khost, a Precarious Rule

## Despite Breaking of the Siege, Rebel Threat Persists

By Philip Taubman

New York Tunes Service KHOST, Afghanistan - Three weeks after Soviet and Alghan forces broke the prolonged siege of this dusty garrison town near the Pakistani border, government control seems precarious.

The 80-mile (130-kilometer) road through the

mountains to the nearest source of military and civilian supplies, reopened by Soviet and Afghan troops on Dec. 30, must be inspected daily for newly planted mines, Major Yuri A. Provorov, the commander of a Soviet mine-clearing unit, said

The Khost airport, a dirt strip that is heavily defended by government forces, operates only at night because of the danger of attacks against aircraft by rebels armed with U.S. Stinger missiles.

During a visit to Khost and some of the surrounding area by a group of Soviet and foreign reporters on Tuesday, the thud of artillery fire and the roar of rockets shook the air repeatedly as Afghan forces pounded suspected guerrilla positions in the hills.

The reporters' departure in the evening was disrupted by incoming rockets that hit the landing strip as two Soviet aircraft carrying the visitors taxied toward takeoff.

The trip was organized by the Afghan govern-

ment with the approval of the authorities in Moscow. It was designed to display the success of the joint Soviet-Afghan operation that defeated rebel forces late last year in one of the longest, most intense battles of the war, which began in 1979.

The visitors' daylong schedule was filled with a series of events clearly planned to coincide with the visit and make a positive impression. At one point, a convoy of more than 100 Afghan trucks pulled into town with supplies of grain, sugar, tea and other goods. The convoy was escorted by Afghan armored vehicles, one of which was bedecked with red and blue banners and blared lestive music from loudspeakers attached to it.

But the day, like the war, proved impossible for the government to manage. Instead of demonstrating the strength of the Alghan Army and its Soviet partners, events and sights underscored the tenuous nature of government control. They also suggested just how volatile the war, and Afghanistan itself, remain as Moscow moves cautiously toward a withdrawal of some kind.

The battle for Khost actually began more than eight years ago, when, just as Soviet forces swept into Afghanistan, guerrillas gained control of Khost's only overland link to the outside world,

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## **Nunn Backs Concept** Of Small ABM System

By Michael R. Gordon New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - Senator Sam Nunn says that the United States should consider developing a limited anti-missile defense system countries.

Mr. Nunn, a Georgia Democrat and the influential chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, has repeated his often-stated criti-cism of President Ronald Reagan's plan for a space-based shield against missiles. But in a surprise suggestion on Tuesday he urged that serious consideration be given to a limited defensive system, apparently one based on land.

"For the near term, we should seriously explore the development of a limited system for protecting against accidental and unauthorized missile launches," Mr. Nunn said in a speech to the Arms Control Association, a private group that has often criticized Reagan administration policy.

He said the deployment of such a system might be possible under the terms of the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, which sharply re-stricts the development and deployment of anti-missile defense systems. But he added that it also could require a "modest amendment" to the treaty.

Mr. Nunn did not say what sort of defensive system he had in mind, but he appeared to be referring to the possible development of a ground-based interceptors. He said the United States would have to determine the technical feasibility of such a defensive system. His suggestion comes as Mr.

Reagan's proposal to test and develop a space-based anti-missile defense is confronting budgetary constraints and the prospect for the stepped-up deployment of such a system in the early 1990s has faded. eram, formally called the Strategic

Defense initiative but popularly known as "star wars," said Tuesday they feared that Mr. Nunn's speech would reinvigorate the program as well as the debate over the need for such a defensive shield. Most of the Democratic candi-

dates for president have been strongly skeptical of the development of anti-missile systems, and none has urged that the United States seriously consider deploying a limited anti-missile system.

An aide to the senator said that Mr. Nunn had developed his position over the last few months. The aide said Mr. Nunn had concluded that an extensive space-based system was unleasible in the near future, and that he had a desire to take steps to reduce the accidental risk of nuclear war.

Many supporters of arms control sile defenses are costly and could their opponents.

provide momentum for an expand-

ed system.
"A limited defense would be extremely expensive for very limited capability," said Spurgeon M. Keeny Jr., head of the Arms Conto protect its territory from acci- trol Association. He said the dedental missile launchings by other ployment of such a defense "could easily be a slippery slope to a dangerous and counterproductive space race that Senator Nunn

warns against." The Reagan administration and some conservative supporters of SDI have argued that a missile shield in space would provide some measure of protection against accidental missile launchings.

In his broad address, Mr. Nunn raised serious questions about proposals for an extensive space-based defense to protect the U.S. population. He asserted that adversaries could attack with bombers and biological weapons.

He urged that SDI be redirected so that the United States would

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swerved out of control. Two policemen and the alleged stone-thrower were injured.

Mr. Rabin, who told the Knesset, Israel's parliament, on Tuesday that "no demonstrators have died from being thwacked on the head" by anti-riot troops, was quoted Wednesday by Israeli Army radio as saying that "the goal is to act

> blows and not live ammunition."
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> Mr. Rabin said that the new policy of "using might, power and beatings" was working and that protests had declined to "nearly zero" in the territories.

against violence with punches and

At least 38 Palestinians have been shot and killed by Israeli forces since the violence began Dec. 9, and the use of live ammunition by the military has been criticized in Israel and abroad.

Major General Amram Mitzna, the army commander in the West Bank, said Wednesday that when youths attempt to prevent mer-chants from opening their stores, "we will grab who we can and some of them will get beaten so that

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## Nicaragua Is Becoming Sole Focus of Peace Bid

By James LeMoyne
New York Times Service

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica - The Central American peace treaty is in danger of being converted into a series of demands directed only at Nicaragua, rather than retaining the broad force of an accord binding on all countries in the region according to diplomats and government officials here. Since the weekend meeting in

San José of the presidents of Gua-temala, El Salvador, Honduras, Some critics of the Reagan pro-ram, formally called the Strategic months ago, demands for compliance - especially from the Reagan administration - have focused almost entirely on Nicaragua. But the treaty is also binding on

the four Central American countries that signed it along with Nicaragua. Costa Rican officials and several non-U.S. diplomats say that other countries are not being pressured to observe the treaty to the degree that Nicaragua is.

"The Central American peace plan is becoming a Nicaraguan peace plan," said a non-U.S. diplomat. "Other countries are not being asked to do as much as Nicaragua."

What that appears to indicate is ical reconciliation, the peace treaty who monitor the rebels. is being used by all countries in the area with the support of their superpower allies, as little more than have argued that limited anti-mis- a tactical instrument to weaken

gencies in the region and provides steps to increase democracy and demilitarize Central America.

la their final communiqué, all five Central American presidents committed themselves to guarantee full freedom of the press, freedom

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to organize politically, lifting of states of siege, free elections, political amnesty and the abolition of legal measures that hamper political freedom.

The presidents also pledged to end all outside aid to rebel groups and to seek to negotiate a cease-fire to guerrilla wars in the region. They committed themselves, as well, to seek to reduce their armies, to respect human rights and to allow refugees to return home.

There are many examples of noncompliance with the treaty by states other than Nicaragua. Hon-duras is probably the chief offend-

Despite the peace plan's call for all outside aid to be cut off to rebel groups, Honduras has never stopped assisting the U.S.-backed that rather than reflect a genuine. Nicaraguan rebels, known as conregional commitment to seek polit-

> Honduran officials, backed by calculating that Honduran non-

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# For Defects, Helms **Urges Amendments**

se Helms said Wednesday that the treaty with the Soviet Union to "I believe abolish intermediate-range nuclear adopted." missiles must be amended because of serious defects.

Mr. Helms, a Republican of North Carolina, made the call for amendment a day after a senator who supports the treaty warned that it would be assaulted by "radi-

cal right-wing extremists." Mr. Helms said he found it "astonishing" that no nuclear warheads would be destroyed, only medium- and shorter-range mis-

"It is the nuclear warheads that kill you, not the missiles," said Mr. Helms, the senior Republican on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, in a statement.

"Unless this problem is corrected," he said, "the Soviets can merely re-bolt their enormous inventory of warheads onto the thousands of other missiles in their inventory, many of which can hit the United

Mr. Helms that said a reduction in U.S. nuclear missiles would require the expenditure of billions of dollars for conventional forces in Western Europe, and mean that the primary U.S. nuclear deterrent based in the United States.

Moscow would have to be reopened, an action that could well destroyed. unravel the treaty.

"I believe that we can almost ya instead of Tomahawks.

WASHINGTON—Senator Jes-Heims said Wednesday that the treaty," Mr. Cranston said, adding, "I believe the INF treaty will be

> Senate hearings on ratification are scheduled to begin next week. Cruise Missiles Readied George C. Wilson of The Washington Post reported from Washing-

> The United States, after an allout effort brought on by the discovery that its unmanned cruise missiles could not be fired during the air attack on Libya in 1986, now has dozens of the weapons capable of attacking targets in Iran, accord-

> ing to Pentagon officials.
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> Data on land features along the Iranian coast has been gathered by satellite and aircraft and programmed into the Tomahawk cruise missiles, officials said.

This would allow the missiles which are aboard many of the big U.S. ships in the Gulf and North Arabian Sea, to follow the terrain and dive into such likely targets as the Silkworm missile sites near Bandar Abbas, officials said.

Pentagon officials, in discussing this new capability, stressed that no Tomahawk raids are envisioned at

The fine-tuning of the missiles would be on long-range missiles also involved making their nonnuclear warheads more powerful, Amendments by the Senate sources said, so that such targets as would mean the negotiations with underground shelters for the Silkworm anti-ship missiles could be

The readiness of the Tomahawks Senator Alan Cranston, Demo-crat of California, said Tuesday at ty to make precise strikes with una news conference that there would manned missiles, officials said. be efforts in the Senate to attack Some U.S. Navy officials were disthe treaty on intermediate-range mayed that U.S. F-111 bombers nuclear forces and a proposed trea- based in Britain and A-6E bombers ty to reduce the superpower arse- from carriers in the Mediterranean nals of long-range nuclear missiles. were used in the strike against Lib-

## Shiite Forces Withdraw From 2 Camps in Beirut

BEIRUT - Shiite Moslem militiamen withdrew from positions around Palestinian refugee camps here Wednesday, ending a threeyear siege, witnesses reported.

Hundreds of Amal militiamen and troops of the Lebanese Army's largely Shiite 6th Brigade withdrew from the Burj al-Brajneh and Cha-

Witnesses said about 250 Syrian troops then deployed around the camps, which have been under siege since May 1985. At least 2,500 people have been killed in violence during the "war of the camps."

Amal fighters, armed with automatic rifles, packed their belong-

## **Cambodians** Bog Down in **Peace Talks**

New York Times Service

PARIS - A second round of talks between Prince Norodom Sihanouk, a Cambodian resistance leader, and Prime Minister Hun Sen, who heads the Vietnamesebacked government in Phnom Penh, ran into trouble Wednesday as both sides at the outset insisted on tough conditions to end the Fighting in their country.

Mr. Hun Sen said there could be no withdrawal of the estimated 140,000 Vietnamese forces stationed in Cambodia until the prince pledged to eliminate the Khmer Rouge from the three-party coalition that he nominally heads. The Khmer Rouge force, the most powerful group in the alliance, has an estimated 60,000 fighters.

Prince Sihanouk countered with a request for a timetable for the withdrawal of the Vietnamese from Cambodia and the establishment of a democratic government.

The situation was further complicated as Mr. Hun Sen seemed to back away from previous hints that a withdrawal of Vietnamese troops could begin as early as this year. At the talks Wednesday, a spokesman for Prince Sihanouk said, Mr. Hun Sen went back to a timetable that foresees a Vietnamese withdrawal in 1990, which has been the Vietnamese-declared timetable for

The talks, being held outside Paris, are scheduled to last two more days.
 The two Cambodian leaders held

a first round of talks in France in December. There are doubts that other parties in Prince Sihanouk's alliance are cooperating with the the Lebanese people, broadcast to

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lier had left their positions.

Amal militia, announced Saturday that his forces would lift their siege of the two camps in Beirut and one in southern Lebanon as a gesture of support for Palestinian protests in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

port city of Tyre, about 50 miles (80 kilometers) south of Beirut.

women and children chanted welcome slogans, hailing the arrival of Syrian troops at the Beirut camps Amal sources said Syrian sol-diers were expected to deploy later, before Amal troops completed the

Since then, only women and children have been allowed out for food and medical supplies. But Amal officials said Tuesday that men could move freely in and out of the camps after the withdrawal.

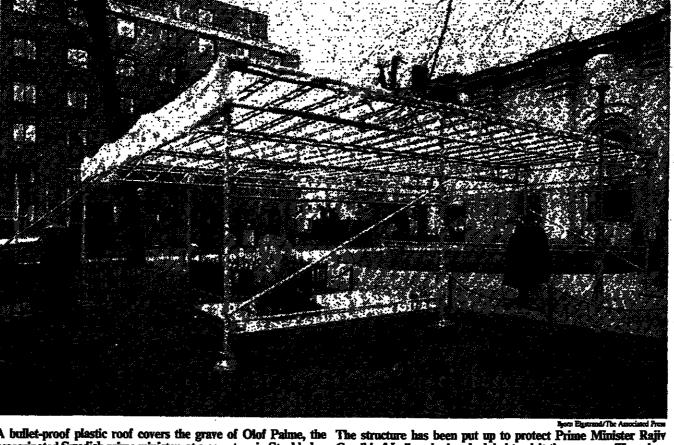
Terry Waite, on the first anniversa-Lebanese people, United Press International reported from London.

Archbishop Robert Runcie said in a nationally broadcast prayer

about 25 relatives and friends attended the service, in which the archbishop spoke of the pain caused by Mr. Waite's absence and paid tribute to his work.

three Americans from Lebanon, was negotiating for the release of other hostages when he disappeared in Beirut on Jan. 20, 1987. He is believed to have been kidnapped by Islamic extremists with whom he was negotiating. But no group has claimed responsibility for his disappearance or and there has been no official word of his

Earlier, the archbishop sent per-sonal messages to Mr. Waite and



A bullet-proof plastic roof covers the grave of Olof Palme, the The structure has been put up to protect Prime Minister Rajiv assassinated Swedish prime minister, at a cemetery in Stockholm. Gandhi of India, who is scheduled to visit the grave on Thursday.

## In Palme Case, Theories but No Answers

By Steve Lohr

STOCKHOLM — By now, the 22-month hunt for the killer of Prime Minister Olof Palme has become a workaday job.

Round-the-clock urgency has ven way to regular office hours. Sixty police officers remain on the case, down from a peak of 300 in the early months after Mr. Palme was gunned down on Feb. 28, 1986.

Hans Holmer, the flamboyant, outspoken Stockholm police commissioner, has been replaced as the head of the investigation by a quiet administrator who shuns publicity. Ulf Karlsson, a top official of the Swedish National Police Board.

If the pace and the style of the hard evidence.

It remains an investigation that daily must confront one grim, fruslions of dollars spent, there is no sort of conclusion."

Recently, the head of an independent lawyers' commission, which submitted a report in De-cember that was highly critical of the police investigation under Mr. raveling the mystery. Holmer, caused an uproar when he told a Swedish magazine that he thought the Palme assassination would never be solved.

The comment touched a nerve in respected official had publicly ex- evidence to build a case around. pressed a view that more and more Swedes suspect may well be true, but are reluctant to accept.

If the pace and the style of the investigation have changed, little ged optimism. "We are still hopeful a rightist Swedish schoolteacher and a group of leftist Kurds. But in both cases the suspects were quick-naminated mostly by theories, not said. "We're still working very hard with so many resources that we should make progress." Leaning over his office desk and

ing statements by witnesses and informants, summaries of tips and reports on individuals or groups that might be suspects - virtually anything of potential value in un-

Still, the case has suffered from a chronic lack of useful chies. Except for two bullets fired at Mr. Palme and his wife, Lisbet, which were found days later near a snowdrift Swedish society mainly because a by a passer-by, there has been scant

So from the start, the investigation, lacking evidence, has been built on theories. Under Mr. Mr. Karlsson, who seldom Holmer, theories led to the arrest of — and embarrassingly — reeased by the government prosecu-

tors, who said there was no substantial evidence against them.
Mr. Holmer was pulled off the trating fact: After hundreds of gesturing for emphasis, Mr. Karls- Mr. Holmer was pulled off the thousands of man-hours and mil- son added, We must come to some case shortly after Jan. 20, 1987, when 20 Kurds were rounded up Three army troop carriers with indication that the Swedish police. The Swedish police have accu- and three were charged with "sus- 400 soldiers of the 6th Brigade ear- are any closer to discovering who mulated nearly 40,000 documents, picion of being accessories to the

assassinated Mr. Palme, or why, each representing some shred of murder of Olof Palme." The state than they were on the night be was information about the case, includleased later that very day, saying there were no real grounds for holding them.

There were other theories. One, offered by a Swedish legislator, a member of the pro-Soviet Comminist Party, was that the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency was behind the assassination of Mr. Palme, a line repeated in a Soviet television documentary broadcast in Sweden. Another theory was that Mr. Palme was killed by Middle East assassins for his decision

to block arms sales to Iran. Mr. Karlsson, too, speaks of his investigation in terms of theories and leads. "There are about 10 rather interesting theories that we are dealing with now," he said, although he refused to discuss details of the investigation.

A political assassination apparently is still considered a strong ibility. In October, the government increased the reward for information that leads to solving the case tenfold, to 50 million Swedish kronor, or \$8.5 million. Mr. Karlsson said the decision was an effort to pry information from what could be "a close, well-disciplined

"We hope we can buy even the most loyal person, if the price is high enough," Mr. Karlsson said. The higher reward, he noted, has brought "new leads and tips," but "no breakthrough yet." Possible international links to

the Palme killing also are being pursued. Mr. Karlsson noted that the Swedish investigators had made two trips to the United States to follow "special leads." -

with the investigation, one of the trips was to question an inmate at a California prison who said he had information that the Palme killing had been plotted by a rightist international anti-Communist organization, but carried out by Swedes.

■ Beirut Group Makes Offer A previously unknown group offered in a statement published Wednesday to provide information that it said would reveal the identity of Mr. Palme's assassin in exchange for \$1 million, The Associ-

ated Press reported from Beirut. The Beirut daily An Nahar published a communiqué that it said it had received from the Arab Revolutionary Organization. The note said the group's Beirut branch possessed information which will

lead to Palme's killer." The note set these terms for re-

vealing the information: • "Sweden must receive 15 Lebanese families to be selected by the

 "Complete secrecy and protection must be ensured for a delegate from the organization along with an amount of money. A later communique will define how and where

the money should be paid." • "The requested reward set in the communique published Jan. 20, 1988, is \$1 million, half of which should be paid to the strugglers of the occupied territories who are rebelling against neo-Nazism in the West Bank and the other half to a

Lebanese bank account."

The group said it would reveal further information in future comWORLD BRIEFS

## Moscow Offers a Latin Plan to Madrid

MADRID (Reuters) — The Soviet foreign minister, Eduard A. Shevardnadze, proposed on Wednesday that Moscow and Madrid open a dialogue to improve the chances for peace in Central America. In remarks prepared for delivery at a dinner, Mr. Shevardnadze said In remarks prepared for delivery at a dinner, for. Shevardhadze said both Spain and the Soviet Union were keenly affected by regional conflicts far from their territories. "We identify with and understand Spain's preoccupation with the state of affairs in Central America and are

prepared to create a channel of consultations on this issue," he said. Mr. Shevardnadze's proposal, issued the day after Nicaragua lifted a six-year state of emergency, appeared designed to give Moscow a direct avenue of dialogue with Western Europe on Central America.

No Agreement on EC Farm Spending

BRUSSELS (Reuters) — European Community farm ministers ended three days of talks on Wednesday without agreement on farm spending curbs, which are seen as the key to solving the near-bankrupt organiza-Diplomats said differences remained on a wide range of issues, including proposed automatic price cuts for cereals. Such cuts are designed to halt the soaring farm spending that is eating up two thirds of the EC's annual \$47 billion budget.

But ministers are to resume talks on Saturday and Sunday in an attempt to reach agreement before a summit meeting of EC leaders on Feb. 11-12.

#### U.S. Ambassador Visits Waldheim

VIENNA (NYT) - The new U.S. ambassador to Austria, Henry. Anatole Grunwald, presented his credentials on Wednesday to President

Mr. Waldheim said in an interview on Austrian television that the visit had been "friendly." A U.S. Embassy spokesman described it only as a "normal" and "necessary" part of diplomatic procedure. Mr. Granwald declined to comment after his 25-minute call at the Hofburg Palace. Both sides said that neither Mr. Waldheim nor Mr. Grunwald had raised the issue of the U.S. decision in April to bar the Austrian president from visiting the United States because of suspicion that he may have been connected with war crimes during his World War II service in the German Army in Yugoslavia and Greece.

#### Soviet Aide Reportedly Was Framed

MOSCOW (LAT) — A scandal in the Ukraine involving the KGB intelligence agency, the police and the prosecutor's office was disclosed

The Communist Party newspaper said that KGB officials in Odessa had conspired with corrupt policemen and prosecutors to send an honest police chief to prison as a way of silencing him. Pravda said the man, A.V. Malyshev, was in charge of a unit investigating the theft of state property before he was framed and sent to prison for two years with the aid of false

One of those disciplined in the affair was the Communist Party chief in the Odessa region, A.P. Nochevkin, a subordinate of the Ukraiman leader, Vladimir A. Shcherbitsky. It was the second time in a year an article involving criminal conduct by KGB officers in the Ukraine has

#### Marijuana Cited in U.S. Train Crash

WASHINGTON (AP) - Federal investigators said Wednesday that it was probable that two Conrail train operators were impaired by marginana when their locomotive collided with an Amtrak train a year ago, killing

16 persons and injuring 175 others.

Investigators told the National Transportation Safety Board that supervisors of the Conrail engineer had clues that the employee may have been dependent on drugs and alcohol long before the accident, but never took any steps to deal with the problem. The accident occurred when a string of three Conrail locomotives failed to stop despite signal warnings. Dr. Merritt Birky, a safety board investigator, reported that tests on the Conrail crew showed marijuana use within 24 hours of the accident by the brakeman and within 12 hours by the engineer. Dr. Birky conceded that the question of impairment remained controversial. But he said it is "highly probable that they were impaired at the time of the accident."

#### Vietnam Agrees to Amerasian Airlift

BANGKOK (UPI) - Vietnam has agreed in principle to allow an airlift of about 30,000 Amerasian children and their relatives to the United States within the next year or two, two U.S. congressmen said Wednesday after returning from a four-day trip to Vietnam.

Representatives Robert J. Mrazek, Democrat of New York, and Thomas J. Ridge, Republican of Pennsylvania, said the agreement would affect 8,000 to 12,000 children, fathered by Americans during the Vietnam War, and the children's relatives.

The airlift is authorized under a U.S. law called the Amerasian Homecoming Act, signed by President Ronald Reagan on Dec. 27, said the two representatives, who sponsored the legislation.

#### Boycott Leader Is Detained in Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (Reuters) - An opposition politician, Louis Dejoie 2d, was detained Wednesday on his return to Haiti after lobbying against Sunday's presidential election during a trip abroad,

Mr. Dejoie arrived on a flight from Puerto Rico after lobbying in the United States and Canada against the election. A Haitian Army major said he was being questioned by the police inside the airport terminal two hours after his arrival.

Mr. Dejoie, 59, is one of four leaders of an opposition coalition that boycotted the election and is calling for it to be annulled because he says it was rigged by the military-led provisional government. He had hinted in interviews in Canada of a possible armed struggle in Haiti if the election results were not nullified.

#### For the Record

An article by Andrei D. Sakharov, the Soviet physicist and dissident, on his ideas about black holes in space was published by Tass, underlining the extent to which he has been accepted back into society. Mr. Sakharov was allowed to return to Moscow in 1986 after seven years in the closed.

### TRAVEL UPDATE

#### Italian Pilots Call 24-Hour Strike ROME (Reuters) — The Italian pilots' union announced on Wednes-

day a 24-hour strike to protest a decision to resume flights of ATR-42 aircraft suspended since a crash killed 37 persons in October.

ATI, a subsidiary of the state airline Alitalia, said on Tuesday the twinengined turbo-prop plane would go back into operation Monday after the adoption of new regulations. Both Alitalia and ATI pilots are to begin the strike on the evening of Jan. 30.

French air controllers have issued a statement warning that they will stage a one-day walkout Jan. 29. (IHT). Flights to Paris from London City Airport, suspended a month ago over fears about air control safety, resumed Wednesday. A spokesman said the

two carriers operating to Paris, Brymon Airways and Eurocity Express, were flying the route again from the airport near London's financial

Intermittent wildcat strikes by Brussels air controllers for higher pay and better working conditions entered their second day Wednesday, disrupting flights and forcing some planes to land elsewhere. (AP)

#### U.S. Study Faults Ex-Moscow Envoy \* By Richard Halloran had known about "the factors that led to the misconduct and failed to the Foreign Service in March, said had known about "the factors that

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — In a report

completed last summer but not made public, a presidential panel concluded that the former U.S. ambassador to Moscow should be held responsible for the misconduct of Marine guards there, according to a staff aide to the panel.

The aide, W. Hays Parks, a civil-ian lawyer for the U.S. Army, said the panel concluded that the am-bassador at the time, Arthur A. Hartman, "knew or should have known of the marine security guard

Addressing a meeting on ethics at the National War College in Washington last week, Mr. Parks the Moscow Assessment Review very unfair Panel, decided that the ambassador man said.

When the panel met, there was

concern in Congress and intelli-gence agencies that major damage had been caused by Soviet penetration of the Moscow embassy, specifically by recruitment of marines as Soviet spies.

But because of a lack of evidence, the scandal is now widely regarded not as a dramatic security breach but largely as an episode in which marines illicitly consorted with Soviet women.

Mr. Hartman disputed the find-ings of the panel, which was headed by a former secretary of defense, Melvin R. Laird. "I think that is a

take appropriate steps to correct he had not read the report but contended that the events at the embassy had been overblown and that the marines had failed to police

In April, President Ronald Reagan asked Mr. Laird to study the Moscow episode along with Rich-ard M. Helms, the former CIA di-rector; General John W. Vessey Jr. former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and Diego C. Asencio, former ambassador to Brazil.

One former guard has been convicted of espionage for giving infor-mation to the Soviet Union. Charges that guards allowed Soviet intelligence officers into the embasvery unfair conclusion." Mr. Hart- sy were dropped for lack of evi-

controlled Moslem West Beirut.

Nabih Berri, leader of the Shiite

There was no word of similar moves at Rashidiyeh, a camp in the

Thousands of Palestinian men.

The camp blockade, aimed at limiting the power in Lebanon of Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, was partially lifted in April when Syrian officials enforced a cease-

■ Appeal for Waite Release The archbishop of Canterbury led Britain in prayer Wednesday for the release of his special envoy, ry of his disappearance and sent messages to Mr. Waite and the

service that his hostage negotiator was viewed around the world as "a beacon of light in the dark places of Mr. Waite's wife, Frances, and

Mr. Waite, who has helped nego-tiate the release of Western hos-tages in the Middle East, including

whereabouts or condition.

## PARKING FOR THE PYRAMID — A bulldozer at work Wednesday on a parking lot for the Great Pyramid of Giza, as a \$1.77 million renovation of the pyramids and the Great Sphinx began. Finding That Pelican Caused Crash Raises Questions on U.S. Bomber

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By Molly Moore

caused by a large pelican that ripped through the skin of the plane, severing hydraulic lines and sending flames through the craft.

The investigation also revealed that when the pilot ordered the crew to eject from the plane, the copilot's automatic ejection seat malfunctioned. He was killed, along with two other crew members who were sitting in instructor seats.

The finding that a bird apparently caused such catastrophic damage to the bomber while it was on a high-speed, low-level bombing training mission raised new ques-tions about the ability of the plane to survive its combat missions.

Castro to Visit Brazil in 1988

BRASILIA — President Fidel Castro of Cuba has accepted an invitation to visit Brazil, probably this year, officials said Wednesday.



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As a result of the accident, the air million. They said that the first Washington Post Service force has changed some of its lowWASHINGTON — U.S. Air
Force investigators said Wednesday they believe a B-1B bomber
crash in which three crew members
were killed in September was

force has changed some of its lowrequires and schedules spring, but that modification would not be completed until the 
strikes while operating at high 
speeds, according to Brigadier
General James W. Meier, assistant

flights, coupled with major probdeputy chief of staff for operations

at the Strategic Air Command. "If you track bird populations around the world, we do have a problem," General Meier said. The mass of that bird is like a bowling ball operating at the speed of sound.

He added that if a bird or an artillery shell damages "the right area of the airplane, whatever kind it is, it's going to have a problem." The bomber was designed to dart into enemy territory at levels of about 200 feet (60 meters) to avoid radar. The air force has restricted the bombers from flying below flocks of North American White 5,000 feet on training missions un-til it can modify the planes to make ervoirs over which the bomber was

General Meier said.

Air force officials said they ex-

lems in the plane's system of electronic defenses, drastically affects pilot and crew training for the bomber's primary missions. Air Force officials say that the limit on flight levels would be lifted in com-No trace of a pelican was found

in the egine or the plane after the Sept. 28 crash, but investigators found that something large appar-ently had smashed through the thin aluminum skin of the plane in the four-inch (10 centimeter) space between the engine and the wing. The air force said that large flocks of North American White Pelicans had been sited at two res-

flying when one of those aboard the them less vulnerable to bird strikes, plane, Captain Lawrence Haskell, saw "a white blur coming from sected those improvements, which slightly left of the aircraft center will involve reinforcing vulnerable line at an angle leading just right of spots on the planes, to cost \$62.5 the aircraft fuselage."

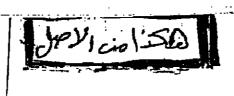
Poland Says It Will Offset Price Rises days of talks on wages and prices

WARSAW - The government with leaders of the All-Poland Trade Unions Alliance, the nationinnounced Wednesday it would al labor federation set up with the sharply raise compensation payments to workers to offset steep price rises planned this year. The announcement came in response to demands by the official trade union federation, which had criticized the Poland's wages and prices policy.

The announcement comes after

approval of the Communist authorities to replace the outlawed Solidarity trade union. The price rises are expected to start taking effect next month. The government has said that prices are to climb an average of 27 percent in said that the panel, officially called

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# Spotlight Falls On Long Shot **In 1988 Race**

By E.J. Dionne Jr. New York Times Serv

WASHINGTON — The story of Gary Hart's rocky relations with the press is old news. The new story is about. Bruce Babbitt: Mr. Babbitt, languishing at the back of the pack, is getting a lot of positive attention these days, and it is starting to get on the nerves of the other Democratic

presidential campaigns.

The press has put Bruce Babbitt on a pedestal, said.
Terry Michael, press secretary to Senator Paul Simon of Illinois. "Bruce Babbitt has played the press like a piano, and the press has been a willing instrument." It is certainly true that over the last month the journalis-tic attention to Mr. Babbitt has been the stuff of press

secretaries dreams.

Articles drawing attention to the candidate's policy positions and background as a widely respected governor of Arizona have appeared. Such articles, free of embarrassing disclosures or criticisms, have run in The New Republic, The Washington Monthly, Time, Newsweck, the Los Angeles Times and The Washington Post.

The most extensive recent discussion of his candidacy in The New York Times reported, in comparing the Democrats' economic views, that Mr. Babbitt alone had offered "a detailed accounting" of how he would cut the federal budget deficit.

The attention in print has, in turn, produced valuable

television coverage. Long reports on Mr. Babbitt, asking why he was suddenly the beneficiary of such good fortune in the press, were broadcast by ABC and NBC on news

programs.
Why is there such focus on Mr. Babbitt, and why is it coming at this crucial point in the campaign; right before the lows cancuses?

The candidate himself sees it as a happy accident. He says most editors postponed writing profiles of him until the very end, hoping he might drop out.

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The battle of the conservative

For much of the last seven years.

the battle has been lopsided in Her-

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Illegal Hart Contributions Reported

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By Paul Blustein

Wushington Post Service

WASHINGTON - Inaugura-

tion Day is just a year away. Con-

ceivably, the president being swem in that day will be a true-blue conservative like Jack Kemp or Pete DuPont. If so, perhaps he will follow Ronald Reagan's example and bestow upon the Heritage Foundations.

tion the advantage of being "the president's favorite think tank."

But the polls suggest that is not

likely to happen, and as a result, Heritage is facing the prospect of losing its stature as Washington's

leading cauldron of conservative thought — the place to find out

what the administration will con-

At the same time, its main com-

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sider doing next.



Former Governor Bruce Babbitt of Arizona: behind in public opinion polls but not in coverage by the press.

Hal Bruno, political director for ABC News, says that Mr. Babbitt also has won notice because of his "splendid" campaign organizations in Iowa and New Hampshire. Dotty Lynch, political editor at CBS News, said dark horse candidates have surprised political reporters so often in the past that unlikely winners like Mr. Babbitt are getting more attention in 1988.

"Reporters are protecting themselves," said Ms. Lynch. who worked in 1984 for Senator Hart's presidential cam-

Also, while many journalists would argue that this makes no difference, Mr. Babbitt is personally popular, among reporters and political operatives alike.

There's no doubt that Babbitt is a likable man with a ase of humor, and especially a sense of humor about himself," said Fred Martin, campaign manager for Senator Albert Gore Jr. of Tennessee.

Operatives for the competing campaigns say they accept all these factors with equanimity.

What upsets them is that Mr. Babbitt also is winning attention because of his support for a national sales tax.

Studies, which until last year was

part of Georgetown University, cut

as the prospect looms of a moder-

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tanks, like the Center for National

Policy, have sprung up to join the better-known, heavily endowed Brookings Institution as the Demo-

At the American Enterprise In-

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Now the battle lines are shifting

New moderate-to-liberal think

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problems, a young new president has given the organization a new

not doing nearly as well. The big conservative names like Rich-

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[Mr. Hart, campaigning in that first reported Mr. Hart's rela-Keene, New Hampshire, said he tionship with Donna Rice, a Miami

to his campaign, The Associated re-entered the race in December.

A willingness to call for higher taxes and put some limits on Social Security has become "a litmus test for political courage" among political reporters, Mr. Martin

Mr. Michael, of the Simon campaign, contends that the very reporters praising Mr. Babbitt's courage will write the party's political obituary later this year if new taxes become the centerpiece of the Democrats' 1988 program.

Faced with what they see as favorable press for a rival, the other Democratic camps are starting to counterattack The Simon campaign, for example, is circulating a study showing that Mr. Babbitt's proposals for a national sales tax would hit the middle class and the poor much harder

than the wealthy.

In any case, it is not yet clear how much good the press attention will do Mr. Babbitt.

In the public opinion surveys in Iowa, where he must do well to stay in the race, Mr. Babbitt has moved up only slightly in recent weeks. However, several pollsters for other Democratic presidential candidates are reporting a modest surge for Mr. Babbitt in their private surveys.

The leadership of the Center for entire foreign-policy staff and built

The Center for Strategic and In-

than its competitors, is planning to

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## Allies Feel U.S. Budget Cuts

#### Pact on Spain Bases Reflects Military Spending Curbs

By Joseph Fitchett International Herald Tribune

PARIS - The U.S. decision to yield to Spain's demands and withdraw 72 F-16 fighter-bombers from Spanish soil was heavily influenced sergeants, people are having to conby congressional efforts to slow the growth of Pentagon spending, and analysts say other U.S. military operations abroad are likely to suffer

"We're going to have to cut programs," Fred C. Iklé, the departing undersecretary of defense for policy, said in an interview, Congress in its wisdom will usually see to it that the ax chops spending overseas and spares facilities and programs that generate U.S. jobs and votes."

The whole range of U.S. activities abroad is likely to be cut back, including security aid paid to na-tions that accept U.S. military bases, maintenance of U.S. troop barracks in West Germany and programs for developing new long-range conventional missiles that could replace U.S. nuclear arms leaving Europe, according to Mr. Ikle and other officials.

The Spanish episode illustrates a major new pressure surfacing in the Western alliance: a decline in U.S. military spending after the Reagan administration's booming military

The outcome of U.S.-Spanish ne-gotiations was colored by congres-sional budget demands, Mr. Iklé said, explaining that U.S. determination to keep the warplanes in Spain sagged after Congress ordered the Pentagon late last year to scrap two wings of F-16s. The wing in Spain was an obvious candidate to be cut.

ductions in the U.S. budget deficit, are likely to bite disproportionately into U.S. military activities overseas that support the defense of allied nations. U.S. austerity measures also un-

Gramm-Rudman law requiring re-

dermined efforts to redeploy the F-16s elsewhere in Europe, Mr. Iklé Launch Protection System, need

Ideally, the F-16s, the U.S. Air Force's top nuclear-armed warplanes, would be positioned in Italy, the geographic heart of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's southern flank. They could replace ground-launched cruise missiles in Sicily, which are to be removed under the U.S.-Soviet

The center, whose scholars inmove them from Spain - have nuclear war. clude Henry A. Kissinger, Zbig-niew Brzezinski and James R. been handicapped in part by uncertainties about whether Congress accidental attack, Mr. Nunn, in efing the foundation's permanent programs, instead offering fellow-

Center officials added that with ing: "I don't see it happening."

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sharply reduced purchasing power of U.S. troops abroad. In West Germany, "an officer is probably still all right," a Pentagon official could aggravate the political diversaid, "but starting at the level of

fine their lives to the bases."

Allied nations are unlikely to compensate for the slack in U.S.

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military spending. They responded lukewarmly to U.S. urging that they match the Reagan administration's surge in military spending, and the current climate of U.S. retrenchment and Soviet conciliation inclines European governments to spend even less on defense.

This dilemma, how the West can adjust to U.S. inability to carry its traditional military load, is today the major security issue," said Edward J. Streator, former U.S. ambassador to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris and now a London-based consultant. The international ripple effect of

negotiations with Spain. U.S. handling of the talks has encountered criticism from West European and outcome "was so abrupt that it it originally planned. looked like an American cave-in

the knowledge that "we were going rine commandant.

saving fallbacks."

This effect also is visible in the to have to lose two wings anyway"

gences between the United States and its European allies about how to adjust to changes in East-West

Spain's negotiating tactics, according to a U.S. official, reflected a view in Madrid that the West runs little risk of a Soviet threat in Turkey or the Middle East, for which the F-16s would be vital to a Western response.

The official cited Spain's threat, when told that the F-16s could be transferred to neighboring Portugal, to deny them permission to fly over Spanish territory en route to the Eastern Mediterranean or to North Africa.

Spain has pledged to make facili-ties available to the United States in a NATO emergency. But in 1986, Madrid refused overflight permission to U.S. jets flying from bases in Britain to attack Libya.

This and similar political frictions in Europe impair the chances U.S. budgetary pressures was illustrated by the outcome of the base among the Western allies can compensate for incluctable shrinkage in military spending.

The Pentagon said Tuesday that U.S. diplomats because, in the over the next five years it plans to words of a U.S. ambassador, the save \$400 billion from the spending

The Marine Corps, for example, and, in any case, lacks any face is to cancel some weapons orders and cut more than 3,000 men from Mr. Ikle said the determination its force of 200,000, according to of U.S. negotiators was sapped by General Alfred M. Gray, the Ma-

## Cuts in military spending which are bound to deepen under the NUNN: New ABM Idea Is Offered

(Continued from Page 1) have "options for limited deployments to deal with the frightening possibility of an accidental or unauthorized missile launch." Mr. Nunn said that such a sys-

tem, which he called the Accidental not be viewed by Moscow as a destabilizing development that would prompt it to avoid reductions in long-range arms. "I believe both superpowers

ing out such an 'insurance policy,'" U.S. a Mr. Nunn said. His proposed degrams. fensive system, he said, could be a "logical follow-on" to the recent Soviet-U.S. agreement to establish But U.S. efforts to relocate the Nuclear Risk Reduction Centers to planes - it has three years to re- reduce the risk of an accidental

would provide funds to convert the fect, repeated arguments that were base in Sicily into an F-16 base. used to justify work on anti-ballis-"The money probably would tic missile defenses in the 1960s. At used to justify work on anti-ballishave to come from NATO, not the time, some proponents argued from us," a U.S. official said, add- that a limited system could deter

The ABM Treaty, signed by the United States and the Societ United in 1972 and amended in 1973 al-

ground-based interceptors at a single site. The Soviet Union has deployed interceptors around Mos-

Among other points, Mr. Nunn urged the Reagan administration to negotiate with Moscow over what testing is permitted by the ABM Treaty. He suggested he might oppose the ratification of a future treaty reducing long-range arms if the United States and the Soviet Union did not clarify what might find common interest in tak- restrictions apply to the Soviet and U.S. anti-missile research pro-

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## **Greed Can Be Harnessed**

Program trading, index arbitrage, portfo-lio insurance ... While American regulators struggle to understand the implications of new "derivative securities," it is a fair bet that most small investors have come to a

It is a common sentiment, but it is also rash. Derivative securities are indeed tools for speculators. But even when moved by infamous greed, speculators can serve an economically redeeming function. Their And the Brady commission urges requiring gambles provide other investors with a index futures buyers to put up more cash. cheap way to limit risk. The delicate task in the wake of the October crash is to restore investor considence in the sairness of the game without deterring speculation.

Like stocks and bonds, options and futures offer a way to bet on future prices. One might, for example, invest \$130,000 in a portfolio of stocks, expecting prices to rise by June; a 20 percent increase in the average price of stocks would yield a \$26,000 profit. Or one could achieve the same thing by putting \$15,000 down on one Standard & Poor's 500 index future, expiring in June; the same percentage increase in stock prices would yield the same \$26,000 profit.

While distasteful to many, the derivative markets have been protected by well organized lobbies and sympathetic regulators. And until quite recently they were largely left to set their own rules. Meanwhile, institutional investors, led by a new breed of sophisticated financial analysts, discovered that the derivative securities could be used to raise returns and reduce risk.

The most notorious of the new computerdriven techniques, index arbitrage, involves taking simultaneous offsetting positions in stocks and stock index futures. Taking advantage of small differences in prices, the arbitrager can make large sums very quickly. Another technique, program trading, gives managers of multibillion-dollar investment portfolios the chance to change their exposure to market risk without buying or liquidating vast holdings of stocks.

According to the Brady commission, the presidential study panel, index arbitrage had no significant role in the October crash. But simple conclusion: These all sound like tools for hustlers, and the response is to regulate derivative securities out of business.

the attempt of a few large institutions to hedge positions by selling index futures did feed the panic. The New York Stock Exchange has experimentally limited the access of program traders to its high-speed comput-ers, thus preventing simultaneous stock and futures transactions in a volatile market.

To the small investor these may sound like half-measures, but tougher rules may not be practical. There is nothing to stop the markets from moving to Europe or Asia, out of reach of any regulation. Nor is it clear that barring trading index futures would have made a big difference in the October crash. Most important, derivative securities serve a constructive purpose for most investors.

Pension and mutual funds, representing the overwhelming majority of small investors, are simply too big to be able to get in or out of the market without sharply influencing prices. They need a way to respond to changing market expectations without buying or selling huge blocks of stock. Their mistake in October was not in wanting to hedge their portfolios but in being sure that someone would always be ready to shoulder the multibillion risk in return for reasonable expectation of profit. Any reform that discourages speculation by making the deriva-tive markets less attractive will make it even harder for institutions to lay off risk, and without benefiting individual investors.

Perhaps the most important idea here is the need to distinguish between motive and consequence. Derivative securities attract the greedy the way raw meat attracts piranhas. So what? Private greed can lead to public good. The goal for securities regulation is to channel selfish behavior, not thwart it.

man. The civilian candidate the army is

supporting, a former professor named Leslie

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

#### **Haitians Need Friends**

Haiti's elections Sunday were pretty much a farce. Large numbers of voters, weary and intimidated, went neither to the polls nor into the streets. Evidence of fraud and confusion was widely available. Leading independent candidates abstained rather than take part and confer respectability on a charade organized by the military council that has esided over what was meant to be a brief and effective transition from the dictatorship of the Davaliers to democratic rule.

There was conceivably a chance for better. After the military council led by Lieutenant General Henri Namohy broke its word and failed to conduct fair elections in November. Washington suspended most official aid to Haiti — a vigorous if tardy response to the military's corruption and cynicism. But it was never possible or right that the United States alone could swing the Haitian authorities, who took quick refuge in Latin America's resistance to anything that might be called, or miscalled, Yankee intervention. Members of the Organization of American States are to their discredit, looking the other way. Canada, an important patron of Haiti but not an OAS member, rejected the Sunday results in Port-au-Prince. If only members of the OAS would do the same. And now? General Namphy is a clever

Manigat, has the anti-Duvalier credentials to make him seem a somewhat plausible leader in a context in which the choices have been coolly narrowed. Yet if he is confirmed as the victor, he would have no popular mandate and he could not escape the label of military's pet. It seems that the states of the OAS are leaning to the conclusion that a Manigat presidency, for all of its evident shortcomings, is at least better than what preceded it. If that is the view, however, the OAS comes under a heavy obligation to call on the Haitian authorities to move promptly to respect-able elections in which the will of the people will be observed more closely. The current travail of Panama shows the high disabilities and costs of a process in which the army uses force and fraud to flout the popular will. It would be a mistake to end the suspen-

sion of U.S. aid so long as Haiti's military cast dominates the political scene; there is no money for Haiti in the aid budget Congress passed anyway. The democratic elements in Haiti deserve that gesture of solidarity. Meanwhile, they should be asking friends in Latin America and the Caribbean what they plan to do to help the democratic cause.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

# Digging in Mesopotamia

archaeologist at Yale University who is hot on the trail of an intriguing correspondence between the king of Shubat Enlit and his son, the governor of Mari. Those were two once-great cities on the plains of Mesopotamia, where urban civilization began some 5,000 years ago. Mari was excavated in 1933, providing clay tablets that are half the correspondence. Mr. Weiss seems close to unearthing the other half.

The first problem was to find the lost site of Shubat Enlil, one of the many city-states that rose and fell in Mesopotamia's turbulent history. Mr. Weiss decided that it lay beneath a village called Tell Leilan in northeastern Syria, 175 miles (280 kilometers) north of Mari. He began digging in 1979, and recently discovered a cache of some 1,100 clay documents, written in the ancient Semitic language of Akkadian.

A third of the Shubat Enlil tablets have

been translated. As John Noble Wilford reported in The New York Times, most are administrative documents that deal with the distribution of the year's barley harvest and the royal supply of beer and wine. Dated by year, month and day, the tablets were written between 1739 and 1726 B.C.

That was just 40 years after the reign of Shamshi-Adad, the king whose letters were discovered at Mari. Shamshi-Adad, one of the most important figures in Mesopotamian history, was a contemporary of Hammurabi, the great lawgiver and king of Babylon to the south. Shamshi-Adad controlled northern Mesopotamia for 30 years, and his character is vividly conveyed in his correspondence. In one letter to his son at Mari he writes: "While your brother here is inflicting defeats, you, over there, you lie about amidst women. So now, when you go to Qatanum with the army, be a man!"

Tell Leilan is clearly the site of Shamshi-Adad's once famous capital, and there are many rooms in the palace yet to be excavated. Uncovering the son's replies to this overbearing correspondence would be a glittering find. Mr. Weiss can hope to do so because of the longevity of the writing medium. The city-states of Mesopotamia endured for a thousand years after Shamshi-Adad's death, until overwhelmed by the Achaemenian kings of Persia around 500 B.C. Their sun-baked clay tablets endured another 2,000 years to be found by archaeologists, who usually then fire the clay to

preserve it indefinitely.

Only one other aspect of Shamshi-Adad's civilization has lasted as long: Mesopotamians are still fighting Persians.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

#### Other Comment

#### Judge, Jury, Executioner

The new year is not a month old and already the U.S. Customs Service has matter that should have been dismissed out wrapped up first prize in the Most Irrespon- of hand. What customs officials are asking sible Idea of 1988 contest. The agency's for is the right to serve as judge, jury and, request for permission to shoot down susrequest for permission to shoot down suspected drug planes would be furny, in a fascist sort of way, if made in jest. Unfortunately, the people who presented the survival rate when planes are shot out of the air, executioner of suspected drug smugglers. The Rambuseau inspected drug smugglers. nately, the people who presented the request to the National Drug Policy Board last fall

— The Fort Landerdale (Florida) Sun-Sentinel.

are deadly serious. That no decision has been made as yet puts the policy panel in line for an award of its own — for dithering over a

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# Magua vs. V Africa: The Little People Will Outlast the Betrayers

C AIRO — Africa emerged in the 1960s, collapsed in the 1970s and has festered into the 1980s. Once a synonym for shining hope and redemption. Africa is to-day a continent associated in the Western mind with failure, incom-

petence and inhuman brutality.
How is it that in the space of three decades Africa has become not a place but a spectacle, treated as a giant minstrel show even by many of the white bureaucrats, journalists and relief workers there? Second question: Does it have to remain so? Answers to these questions may

now come within reach as African thinkers move beyond the grand illusions of the independence era and seek to discover, describe and repair what has gone wrong in their nations. Many have long hesitated to do so for fear of giving comfort and ammunition to those whites who shed crocodile tears over the terrible things blacks do to other blacks when they get power. Other African opinion makers have found it easier and safer to cling to the simplistic rhetoric of the 1960s.

But the spreading recognition of the continent's dire circumstances is overtaking such inhibitions. It is, as Nigerian writer Chinua Achebe notes in his latest novel, a time for Africans to acknowledge that any

By Jim Hoagland

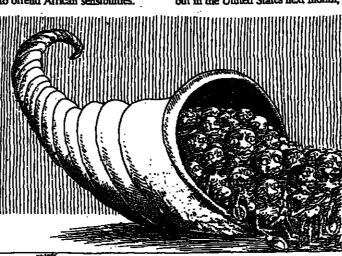
list of the world's oppressed has to include "black people everywhere, including their own continent." Mr. Achebe's novels contain an

encompassing vision of the vast societal decomposition that colonialism began and independence has accelerated. This may be why they have been overlooked by politically sensi-tive Nobel literature juries eager not

"Things Fall Apart," his first important book, chronicles the destructive impact of the white man's arrival on village life in West Africa. But "A. Man of the People" is a cutting portrait of Nigerian politicians who squandered the power the departing

colonialists gave them.

In "Anthills of the Savannah," already published in Britain and due out in the United States next month,



just as much by stupidity, incompetence impatience and precipitate action as by doing nothing at all ... Revolution does not confer free-

dom, and indeed may hinder it." Distant and impersonal, govern-ment bureaucracies today possess the yam and the knife that were once village elders' symbols of power. They adopt the rhetoric of black rev-olution but use the power of purse and gun to entrench themselves, becoming "not the party of the op-pressed but of the oppressors." In a chilling corruption of the spirit, they make sure that the voice of the village is not heard. Increasingly the center is at war with the periphery in Africa. The title of Mr. Achebe's novel

vive a killing drought visited upon a region that has unwisely displeased its military ruler. Troops arrive to plug the region's wells. In a parching heat that seems to consume all else, there are still "anthills surviving to tell the new grass of the savannah about last year's brush fires."

refers to the ant colonies that sur-

The novel ultimately does not provide solace to those who dwell on Africa's failures in order to justify

Mr. Achebe takes on the generation of rulers that has emerged in the 1980s. The military and technocratic regimes now dominating Africa have shown that "revolutions are betrayed into the military and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the should be ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the should be ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the should be ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the should be ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the should be ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability of the "little people" in African elites and the ability and the abil the African elites and the soldiers who have so consistently betrayed the hopes of independence.

This is not an easy optimism, nor is it a form of escapism for Mr.
Achebe, who survived the siege of
his home region of Tooland during
the Nigerian civil war. He has lived through and absorbed a despair that few of us can begin to comprehend, and he has emerged from that crici-ble with a faith in human survival.

The people who speak the patois of Nigeria, in which much of the dialogue of "Anthills" is rendered, are able to keep control of their lives and guard their integrity in ways that clude those who seem to divide their lives and personal-ities between London and Africa. We live in the time of the brush fire of Africa's development. Sur-viving the flames will be accounts like those of Chinua Achebe to tell the future what was good as well as what failed in this generation. Stripped of the grand Illusions and intellectual abstractions that this

bats, it can be a healing future. The Washington Post.

book so clearly identifies and com-

## Security for Israel: A Choice Between Quantity and Quality

PARIS — The drama we have seen unfolding in the territories occupied by Israel results from an encounter between Palestinian despair and Israeli fear.

The events of recent weeks have shed new light on the existential dilemma of the Jewish state. Israel is at one and the same time more and less of a state than any ordi-

nary nation in the world.

It is more of a state because, despite its resent military superiority over neighbors and its diplomatic strength as the foremost American ally in the region, Israel sees itself, and largely is, in a pre-Renaissance situation, such as existed before the emergence of

mutually recognized nation-states. Most of its neighbors still contest in their hearts Israel's right to exist. Egypt is a notable exception, and maybe Jordan; but even they could revert to rejection, since emotions can never be fully controlled. The demographic situation in the occupied territories is a swelling time bomb that the passing years render more dangerous, rather than less.
Paralyzed by fear, Israelis have been fur-

ther incited to immobility by the Palestine Liberation Organization's weakness, division and rigidity. Israelis miss the inspiration of the great leader they badly need. It is a tragic

By Dominique Moïsi

irony of history that little Israel had a great statesman, David Ben-Gurion, while "great" Israel has nothing but politicians. Fear and the lack of a clear alternative turn Israelis toward crude realpolitik for inspi-

ration. They retrench, Masada-like, when

criticism comes from outside. Israel is more of a state in another sense, too: repository and custodian of ancestral history and religious tradition that have miraculously survived in spite of, or because of, centuries of tribulations.

But even a state of the pre-Renaissance sort cannot rely on cold Machiavellianism. Israel is not as powerful as the Soviet Union, as secure in its identity as China, as protected from history's storms as Australia - nor, of course, as populous as any of them.

Whatever its present superiority over neighbors, strong Israel remains vulnerable. Its survival in the long term depends on acceptance of its legitimacy by a hostile region. This can come only through diplomacy and strength, not by strength alone.

Israelis resent it when the outside world applies moral criteria to them that are applied to no other state in the region. It is a dubious honor, an unfair distinction. But it is the price a democracy pays, especially when that democracy is the only one in the region.

It is also the price to pay when one has set out to be different — to be a state more moral than others, particularly than the traditional European countries whose immorality led to catastrophes from which Jews often suffered more than others.

It is another tragic irony that the creation of Israel - an immemorial dream come true, but also but an expression of the last nationalist wave in 19th century Europe came to pass, sped by the shock of Auschwitz, precisely when decolonization was starting in what was soon to be called the Third World. This collision between contrasting eras could only mean trouble.

As Palestinian demonstrations and Israeli repression now accelerate, the situation will gradually be seen as a late manifestation of decolonization. Israel's image - which had begun to recover from its excesses in Lebanon, leading to an easing of its diplomatic isolation — will likely be tarnished again amid the usual emotional exaggeration. Contrary to what some commentators

Middle East do not impose a new reading of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict which makes the Palestinians appear as the gradual victors over the last 20 years. The mability of each side to come to terms with the other can lead only to tragedy for both.

The famous remark by Albert Camus after the Hungarian uprising of 1956 certainly applies in the Middle East: "One is always too generous with the blood of others." But ifone should not encourage extremism, can moderation be forced on others?

Israel's existence depends on its recognition as legitimate in its regional environment. That presupposes a territorial compromise. The status quo is a guarantee for disaster. Israel's essence as a democratic state and its security will in time suffer from it. You might say that the fateful choice be-

fore Israel is one between quantity (keeping the territories) and quality (preserving the essence of the Jewish state). Security is not necessarily a matter of acres.

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## Self-Rule for Palestinians: The Only Viable Option for Israel

WASHINGTON — Almost as regrettable as the loss of life Bank and Gaza has been the Israeli

But no one should expect the Pal-estinians to sit by as their military overlords progressively pre-empt their remaining lands with Israeli settlements. Since 1967, Israel has, in violation of the Geneva conventions, inhabitants for the benefit of 50,000 Jewish settlers. In Gaza it has seized slum with a population density approaching that of Calcutta. Israel has remnants of farmland, giving them little choice but to take low-wage menial jobs shunned by Israelis.

B ALTIMORE — With the military balance in Afghanistan tip-

ping away from the Soviet-installe

regime, it is time Pakistan yielded its role as spokesman for the Afghan rebels at the negotiating table.

The rebels, having borne the brunt

of the casualties of the nine-year

war, have earned the right to choose

their own political representative.

achieved, the fragile accord will quickly dissolve in factional rival-

ry unless the superpowers and Pa-

kistan commit themselves to re-

Until now, Pakistan and the So-

viet representatives in Kabul have

been the main interlocutors at the

United Nations-sponsored talks in

Geneva. The premise of these talks has been expectation of an eventual

Soviet military success — an idea

recently in doubt, partly because of

Stinger missiles and other U.S. aid.

the negotiating table to ignore their

national interests. From the outset,

General Mohammed Zia ul-Haq of Pakistan has recognized the poten-tial benefits of the Afghan quagmire.

In recent years he has masterfully turned his country into the world's

third largest recipient of U.S. aid,

while also pursuing a nuclear policy.

Afghanistan has been too important to the general to be left to the Afghans. Thus he has taken a keen

interest in pre-empting the forma-

tion of an Afghan resistance organization that would become a govern-

ment in exile in two of the most

sensitive and potentially turbulent frontier provinces of Pakistan.

It is naive to expect Pakistanis at

gional economic reconstruction.

Moreover, even if a peace plan is

during the recent violence in the West grown up under the domination of ians to exercise self-determination occupation troops. Three out of four guaranteed by the United Nations

lemma, Israel is merely asserting, in itable that their bitterness would ultikeeps quiet while Israel's army ap-plies the iron fist even more harshly. have for the first time joined in by calling a paralyzing strike — signaling that they are tired of being treated as second-class citizens.

Were any nation other than Israel to behave in such a harsh manner, the United States would threaten to curseized more than 53 percent of West tail aid and impose sanctions. But Bank land from 800,000 Palestinian even while Congress and the Reagan even while Congress and the Reagan administration painfully cut domestic programs to reduce the budget one-third of the land for 1,300 Jewish deficit, America continues its annual settlers — compressing the 650,000 subsidy of Israel — a rate now equiv-Palestinian inhabitants into a fetid alent to \$1,400 for every Israeli. alent to \$1,400 for every Israeli.

The United States has major responsibility for this distorted state of prevented Palestinian residents from affairs. By failing to act incisively it efficiently cultivating their dwindling undercuts those farsighted Israelis who see their nation's current course leading toward disaster.

Meanwhile, the United States dis-

Allow the Afghans Their Own Voice

By Ashraf Ghani

Afghan resistance has shown no visible sign of fighting for Afghan nationalism. In a struggle engaging the majority of rebels, the almost

alism has been remarkable. Rather,

This is not surprising; most Af-ghans are Moslems, and, regardless

of who led the resistance, Islam

would have been an important ral-

lying symbol. What is surprising is the identity of those who speak in

the name of the Afghan resistance.

They did not emerge from delibera-tions among Afghans. They were selected by the Pakistanis, who de-

nied a voice to many important strands of Afghan opinion. Pakistani control over the distri-

bution of money and arms to the

rebels from nearly all foreign

sources, a point on which the Paki-

stani generals have insisted, has permitted the Zia government to keep the resistance in line without compromising its military efficien-

cy. But to expect the emergence of a unified Afghan resistance under these conditions is ridiculous.

any of the rebel leaders or others could act as representatives in Ge-

neva is to ask the Afghans.

To help break the deadlock, the

referendum among Afghan refu-gees to let them choose their own leadership. General Zia's willing-ness to permit such a referendum

would be the litmus test of his pub-

The only way to find out whether

Islam has united the resistance.

the majority of rebels, the almost the will, courage and power to bring total absence of reference to nationan end to this bloody conflict.

To help break the deadlock, the United Nations should conduct a cenaries fighting a proxy war.

By George Ball

government's failure to acknowledge
Gazans are under age 25 and have
the nature of its predicament. Instead
never tasted self-rule; increasingly
nations to acquire territory by force, of confronting its fundamental di- they despair of doing so. It was inev- America blocks any UN resolution compelling Israel to bargain in good tones of bluster, that resistance will mately take the form of reckless resis- faith to exchange territory for peace disappear if the outside world just tance. In this new outbreak, the as provided in Security Council resolutions 242 and 338.

Why does the United States betray its basic principles so cavalierly? The sad answer is that American politicians have become so programmed to respond to the pressure of Israel's American friends that they uncritically accept the myths that hard-line Israelis have devised to evade facing their country's problems.

The first myth is that Israel should not negotiate with the Palestine Liberation Organization until it renounces terrorism and elements of its charter. But Israel is no more entitled to demand such preconditions for peace talks than the Palestinians are to insist on an Israeli assurance that negotiations will provide them with lands to build their own state.

To appease Israel's friends, U.S. officials seek to dodge the issue in a Since the West Bank and Gaza regards principles of international were first overrun by Israel's army in law that it has long enjoined on oth1967, a generation of Palestinians has ers. It dismisses the right of Palestinians discussed in a character of arranging conversations between Israel and Jordan. This tactic reflects a curious delusion, for the

solution. Any peace accord that does not have the support of a ma-jority of Afghans will be wrecked by discord. Only an Afghan leader-

ship secure in the knowledge of a mandate from the people will have

While a referendum would allow

Afghans to represent themselves,

an international plan for the recon-

struction of the torn country would allow Afghans to look forward to a

secure future. This second step in

the peace process is crucial.

The Afghan economy, which was making a major transition to capitalist agriculture in 1978, has been dev-

astated. Peace alone will not solve

the economic problems caused by the war. The Afghan economy

would be swallowed up by the more dynamic Pakistani economy. What is needed is a broad plan to create

balanced regional economic devel-

opment and to consolidate the many political factions and ethnic groups behind a central government. Only a prosperous Afghanistan can remain independent, stable and neutral.

Participation in such a plan by

Western and Moslem governments that support the rebels would prove to the Aighans whether the interna-

tional commitment to their move-ment is genuine or whether the con-

tributions to the struggle should be

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ment to The New York Times.

them. The Palestinians fiercely op-pose any deal in which Israel would The objectives are irreconcilable. trade Jordan part of its occupied territory for a peace settlement. West lecting one of four options. The first Bank polls show that only 3 to 6 is to try maintaining its military occupercent of resident Palestinians favor pation by resorting to increasing brua return to Jordanian rule, while 90 to tality, even though such apartheid 94 percent declare the PLO to be their only legitimate spokesman.

For the United States to impose the "Jordanian solution" on unwilling Palestinians would almost certainly recreate the chronic disorder that characterized the West Bank when Jordan ruled it before 1967. The addition of 800,000 West Bank

Palestinians (possibly combined with 650,000 more from Gaza) to the 80 percent of Jordanians of Palestinian origin could probably overwhelm the pacifically inclined Hashemite re-gime, resulting in the creation of a radical, militant Palestinian state. Such a state, with the fanatical backing of its Palestinian majority who cherish deeply felt irredentist claims to all the Holy Land, would pose a far greater menace to Israel than a rump Palestinian state in the West Bank.

A second Israeli myth is that an independent state in the occupied areas poses an unacceptable danger to Israel's security. In view of its powerful armed forces, Israel's security worries could be largely met by writ-ing stringent, enforceable safeguards into a formal treaty, denying the new state any armed force of its own and limiting the numbers and kinds of weapons available to its police. As a further safeguard, the settlement could require installation of surveillance posts larger, more numerous and more effective than those now functioning in the Sinai under Israel's

peace agreement with Egypt.

The current outbreak highlights the problems Israel acquired with the occupied areas in 1967. The acquisition of territories that now contain 1.5 million Palestinians confronted Israel with a colonialist dilemma it has never resolved. It must decide

Palestinian people vehemently dis-whether to continue insisting on be-avow Jordan's right to speak for ing an exclusively lewish state or to abandon its pretension to democracy. Israel can make that choice by se-

> istic element in Zionism. The second option is to expel Palestinians into neighboring states — a

course of action advocated by General Ariel Sharon, for one. The third is formal annexation of the occupied territories, which would convert Israel into a binational state. 40 percent of its population Palestin-

ian and 60 percent Jewish, a situation Zionists rejected from the beginning. The reasonable option is to apply the principles set forth in Resolution 242 of the UN Security Council: accord the Palestinians the right of selfdetermination and make peace with the Arab world by agreeing to a Palestinian state on the West Bank.

Since the last option is the only proper course for a self-respecting Israel, how can the United States help expedite that choice? The U.S. government must demonstrate will and leadership, while recognizing that America can only act effectively if it adopts a posture of objectivity essential to a mediator. Today the hatreds, suspicions and political chaos are such that, left to their own devices, the Israelis and Palestinians (reinforced by Arab allies), will never settle affairs by themselves.

This is a matter of urgency. If America does not seriously seek to bring the parties together, the fight-ing in the Holy Land will spread and intensify. Sooner or later, the neighboring Arab states, even Egypt, will be dragged into the maelstrom.

The writer, U.S. undersecretary of state from 1961 to 1966, is working on a book about the U.S.-Israeli relationship. He contributed this comment to the Los Angeles Times.

#### 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1888: Chinamen Ascend PARIS - M. Pillas-Panis was the hero of the evening at the last conviv-ial gathering of the Paris aeronauts. He has lately returned from a scienthe patronage of the Viceroy, Li-Hung-Chang he has been making experiments with balloons constructexperiments with balloons constructed by François Yon. At first the Celestials were very sky of the airy monsters, but, encouraged by the Viceroy, they overcame their timidity. In 50 ascents made, M. Pillas-Panis took up 320 Chinamen. He says that they were rather scared in mid-air, but soon learned how to maneuver.

1913: Broadway Horror NEW YORK - Cries of dismay arose from those who dine in Broadway cafés when, from far off Nova

nearly every restaurant along the street, at least those who cater to the after-theatre diners, are scurrying around trying to find something in the way of a fish or a bird to take the place of the producers of nightmane. 1938: No to Pacifism

WASHINGTON — The principle of "Peace at Any Price" was rejected (on Jan 20) by Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the President, in a speech before 1,000 women delegates to the 13th conference for the Cause and Cure of War. Mrs. Roosevelt said: "We hope that we never will see another war, but we also hope that we will never go soft about principle and be unable to make a right decision." NEW YORK — Assistant Secretary

of War Louis Johnson, speaking at the convention of the New York State National Guard, emphasized Scotia, came the report that the lob-ster catch for the season, which opened Dec. 15, had been almost a complete failure. The proprietors of

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versary of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan and news that an American magazine had named Mikhail Gorbachev its man of the year. "Murderer of the year" would have been bener. SERGE A. LEWITHIN.

Lugano, Switzerland. I am a graduate student taking part in an

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#### **OPINION**

## Managua vs. Washington: A Crisis of Lifestyles Is Stirring Up Grant Wood's Country Give U.S. Voters the Choice

#### By William Safire

WASHINGTON -ASHINGTON — The Committed indermine the democratic government dist dictator of Nicaragua has next door. Now, with the bone of organext door. Now, with the bone of organized resistance in his throat, Mr. Orteissued a fairly simple and understandga is saying "trust me" again. He claims that the contras are not the result of his able ultimatum to the United States. Unless it cuts off all support to the anti-Communist rule but the cause of his repressions; the speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, Jim Wright Communist rebels now gaining strength in his country. Daniel Ortega Survein will get tough: He will renounce all recent asthances about democracy and will carry out his plan — revealed in damaing detail by a defecting top-level side — to build a 600,000 member Soviof Texas, is eager to believe him. Washington is being told by the same crowd that applanded the Clark amend-ment of the 1970s — the congressional et-supplied army capable of dominating and subverting Central America.

ca to offer a bunch of carrors as well.

just as they are showing signs of gaining real strength in the countryside, Mr.

Ortega is releasing political prisoners he

President Ronald Reagan rightly re-

jects this trap. As soon as the military force opposing the Communist regime is

Incredibly, a majority of the Demo-

crats in Congress are willing to accept

Some Want Victory

E LLIOTT Abrams and Coin Powell, on a lobbying tour through Central

America, have let a familiar cat out of a

transparent bag: The Reagan administra-

tion aims to overthrow the Sandinists and

is not interested in a negotiated peace.

That impleasant cat has long been visible to anyone who cared to look hard enough, although the administration has insisted with a straight face that it hopes for the success of the Arias peace plan for formal Agencies. That the administration

wants to keep the contras in the field as a

fighting force, rather than throwing its full weight behind the internationally ac-

claimed Arias plan, is proof enough of the words of an aide to Speaker Jim Wright:

"It's clear that our government has had the ability to make [the peace plan] work

- Tom Wicker in The New York Times.

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and has refused to do so."

isolationism that strengthened the Com-munist hand in Africa — that it has no possesse many U.S. critzens bridle at business supporting forces trying to such ultimata, Mr. Grega has been prerealled upon by accommodationists in stalled themselves in power in Managua.
the U.S. Congress and in Central America to offer a bunch of carrots as a martine. nists, goes the ostrich line, but mere nationalists familiar with Marxist the-Accordingly, we are being told that, in-return for abandonment of the contras ory and Leninist practice. When a New York Times reporter accurately used

the dread C-word to describe the re-

gime, editors issued a correction: While it is Marxist, it does not operate arrested for release purposes last weekend, and he is willing to talk directly to on the Soviet model of communism."

the democratic rebels as they are being stripped of the only negotiating leverage a dictator understands.

"While it is Marxist, it does not operate on the Soviet model of communism."

Mr. Oriega studied revolution from the same texts as the Russians; he goe to Moscow to report the Vicential of the control of the contro Mr. Ortega studied revolution from the same texts as the Russians; he goes to Moscow to receive the party line; he subsists on handouts from the Kremlin and pass-along handouts from Cuba. and until the contra pressure made him denied supplies, it will become a sure stop, he armed the Communist subverloser, despite being given the honor of being able to directly negotiate its own not carry a party card and he calls his surrender. At the same time, the regime would continue to get tons of arms and billions in aid from its Soviet sponsor.

Next week, in his State of the Union

address, Mr. Reagan will call for increased aid to the contras. A week later, Congress is scheduled to vote that aid n decade ago Mr. Ortega said "trust up or down. To ensure victory for the me," promising free elections and a free Ortega regime, congressmen and their press; the gullible Carter Congress gave him \$75 million a year to be nice, and was double-crossed by a one-party regime that crushed opposition and there is a suggestion: The organization of Caba and the crushed or caba and the crushed with Fidel Castro of Caba and the crushed opposition and the cru

should ask for, and Congress should vote for, enough aid to keep the contras in effective operation until Nov. 8. On that day, when the United States chooses its president, the United States can also determine once and for all whose side it is on in Central America.

Whether it is Gary Hart vs. Jack Kemp, or Michael Dukakis vs. George Bush, or Paul Simon vs. Bob Dole, the issue will be clear: All the Democratic candidates support the Ortega regime, all the Republicans support the contras. It is not the only issue in the campaign, but it is surely a central one.

The Democrat can say "choose Central America. That the administration peace" and "take the risk of trust," while the Republican can say "choose freedom" and "trust must be earned." Nicaragua is the microcosm of a difference of priority in foreign policy. The final decision on contra aid is too farreaching for this fading Congress and administration. Put it up to the people. That is what elections are for.

VIOLA, lowa — A quiet crisis of lifestyles is stirring up the rural Midwest as agricultural decline forces it. during the 1980s quite suddenly, to work out a new ex-urban way of living.

As farms get fewer, more and more rural communities depend for survival on urban invaders who are drawn by the cheaper housing and commute to jobs in nearby cities and towns. In less populous states, the smallest communities simply die. In states like Iowa, where almost every hamlet is within 30 miles (50 kilometers) or so of a job-providing town, residential areas survive. Indeed, with wages coming in, they tend to be better maintained and with trimmer lawns and gardens than ever.

Among the newcomers, both men and women invariably work. Many want to live according to individual choice. This can mean throwing away a lot of the old restraints and religious conventions that held the old farming community together. That is where the trouble comes.

The older timers are afraid Viola will die," says the Reverend Michael Bahde, 37, who is the local Methodist preacher and is himself an ex-urbanite from California. "There are all the overt signs. You've got children leaving. You've got farming as a profession changing. You've got new people coming in who don't understand the rules. In the old days," he added, "every quarter section of land around Viola had a farm or two. There were cows and

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Interest in what People in Iowa think

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#### By Richard Critchfield

come ghost towns, but the homes look

better than ever. Older residents recall when, as recently as the 1950s, out-

houses, open sewage ditches, barns and horses and cows, pigs and chickens gave Viola a barnyard air. White paint was

costly and many houses got so weath-

ered, the grain in the siding stood out.

"It's hard to believe it, with all the lawns so neat and the houses kept up so

nice as they are nowadays," says Beryl

Secrist, 73. In 1947 her husband, Paul,

became Viola's first commuter to a fac-

tory job in the city. "People thought he was crazy to drive all that way to work."

In those days Viola seemed to have an awful lot of old ladies, living alone.

"There aren't that kind of people around here anymore. It's changed," Mrs. Secrist

says. "Now it's mainly young couples with children. Both parents work in town.

They buy homes out here because it's so much cheaper and they can afford them.

Until the kids get home from school, this

is an empty place in the daytime."
Viola's older people seem content, liv-

ing on modest pensions, savings and Social Security, with few worries but

illness and death. But stress is marked

among the young, particularly farmers

pressed by the collapse of commodity

prices. Few expect to ever be as well off

Among the farming families, whose lives center on Viola's Methodist

Church, the old conventions rule. There is a strong sense of cultural loss.

'So many places now, the barns aren't

kept up," says Helen Collins, 83, a farmer's widow. "A lot of them just go to pieces. I can hardly stand that."

wen Collins, 56, a small farmer who

also raises ginseng root. "Where's your little town? A post office opened half a day. No store. A Little League but

that's composed of kids from Viola,

Stone City and God knows where. Vio-

la as a community is nothing. It never

went back to being a purely farming center after World War II."

"I just wish young people would do more for the town," says his wife, Ruth.
"You know, come to Civic League meetings, help pay for the street lights. Now

Little League, that's completely differ-

ent. It's good for Viola. It's fun to go

down and see all the people really back-

ing the kids. One worries more about kids today because both parents are working and they're not there to super-

vise. So the kids run around and get into

trouble. You see, I don't believe in that.

"Look at Viola," says her son, Had-

as was their parents' generation.

chickens and pigs. Viola was a little office and a boarded-up general store farming community. It worked because everybody knew what they were supposed to do. You know, similar goals, similar needs, similar rules. It worked because people had few choices."

Viola, with 41 households, lies in the heart of Grant Wood country—green rolling hills, cornfields, woods, limestone bluffs and the meandering Wapsipinicon River. Mr. Wood grew up on farm near Anamosa, five miles away. After studying art in Paris, he decided

#### MEANWHILE

to go home, as William Shirer has quoted him as saying, to "paint those damn cows and barnyards and cornfields and little red schoolhouses and all those pinched faces and women in their aprons and men in their overalls."

In 1930 he did "American Gothic." Like much of the Midwest, Viola was settled in the 1830s by pioneers who crossed the Mississippi in homemade rafts and settled to farm, hunt, tan hides and trade with the Indians. The heyday for such communities came in the late 19th century with the spread of the railroads. Like many such hamlets, Viola once boasted several hotels, general stores, saloons, a doctor, a lawyer, even a dance hall. Today, in common with most, nothing is left but a part-time post

houses full. In that it's bad, the influx of Paul Perez, a Mexican-American some of the people you've got, they're raised in Cedar Rapids, seems to exemplinot desirable versus what you had be-fy this group. He is divorced, remarried to fore they come. Put it that way.

with anybody else. They get up in the sports sandals, long and curly hair and morning. They go to work. They buy their one earring. "I really love this communigroceries in the supermarket on the way ty," he says. "In a small place like this, home. They stop at some place like Walmart and get their other stuff. They pul
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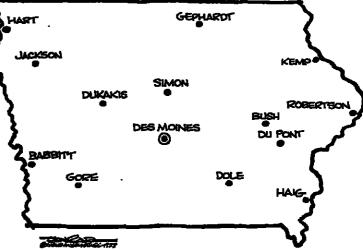
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Viola's new ex-urbanites feel the old by and we wave," he said. "From what conventions would cramp their freedom. I hear, I'm thankful for 'em. Because

Many work for Iowa's second biggest they are keeping this town, in a sense, employer (after John Deere farm machingoing. They're the ones who take

a woman who was also divorced; both They don't really have much to do have children and good jobs in town. He

get into trouble or some of the neighbors into trouble or some of the neighbors. Mr. Perez says he does not know the ride herd on them and look after them." Collins or Wild families. "They drive



ery), a local division of Rockwell Interna- part, go to church. We don't go - but tional, whose 8,000 employees in Cedar I like a church in a community." Rapids, 25 miles away, and six other Iowa towns make high-tech avionics equip-

main organizer, says, "I think the reason the ball diamond's so popular as a gatherthe ball diamond's so popular as a gathering place is that we don't have any power gion," he says. "Everybody said they'll struggle there because we're democratic." The older people out on the farms, the off the farm. Now they say we've got to gether — they're not into it either."

lifestyle for Viola that will last. He feels Viola does that. So you've got to adapt." people are happier if they do live in groups, provided the restraints, such as pressure to show up in church every Sunday, are not as rigid as the old guard would like them to be. But the idea of no restraints, he feels, does not work either. "Like the couple next door. They

I think if you're going to have kids you'd better stay home and raise them." aren't married. A young man and a young woman. Both have jobs. They live "Small towns all over the Midwest are gone," says Jim Wild, like Mr. Collins a a pillar of the Methodist Church. The together as a family. No children. It's 2.000 acres (800 hectares) he farms with the same like that in several houses in hired hands used to make up five family town. A couple, just set up like man and wife, maybe children from previous farms. "The only reason Viola looks healthy is that it's a bedroom town," Mr. marriages living with them. But none of Wild says. "In that it's good, it keeps the those kids are in Little League."

Reverend Bahde thinks anybody wor-

rying about this clash of lifestyles ought ment, some of it used in spacecraft.

Don Wolfe, 50, the Little League's mid-18th century, when the Industrial Revolution was just getting underway.

ones with the power push who run the keep so many Americans on the land church, they're not into it. And the young and farming if we're going to keep our kids that just moved in, that's smoking culture and moral code. Maybe so. But you can't do it the way it was done in 1000. Because it's not 1000. My mife 1940. Because it's not 1940. My wife Mr. Wolle probably speaks for the works in Cedar Rapids. She gets in the people who will work out an ex-urban car and she's there in 30 minutes. All

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The writer, author of "Those Days" and "Villages," is preparing a book about Britain. He contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Food Centers in War Zones

The New York Times editorial "How to Help Ethiopia" (Dec. 18) states that the Tigre People's Liberation Front "will not guarantee safety of food trucks unless Addis Ababa halts its resettlement drive." The statement is taken out of context and is misleading.
In its statement on Nov. 30, the front said

that "it scrupulously restrained itself from military interfering along the convoy lines used by the Derg [the popular name for the government's Armed Forces Coordinating Committee] or the towns occupied by the Derg." The front did so to enable people to feeewe aid, however small, from the towns so New York. long as these towns were used for distribution centers, and with hopes that the donor community would eventually impress on the Derg the need for free passage.

As the situation deteriorated, it became clear

that the Derg was preparing feeding centers from where people would be either deported to labor camps in the south or conscripted into the army. With the death of hundreds of thousands in "feeding centers" in 1984-85 still fresh, it would be irresponsible to be a part of the new tragedy by not preventing it.

HAILE K. GESSESSE. Representative of the Tigre People's Liberation Front London.

The next time the Ethiopian government is criticized for spending such a large proportion of its budget on defense, could we also have an analysis of the finances of the different liberation movements? Just where do they get their money? SONIA HEMINGRAY. Villeurbanne, France.

#### Wiesel on the Territories

Regarding "Elie Wiesel, Gothering Laurentes for Eclectic Conference" (Monday Q&A, Jan. 11): ishes the capabilities of their students. Elie Wiesel's position on the occupied territo-nics is shocking. A Nobel Peace Prize laureate

now be convinced that Mikhail Gorbachev is

seriously trying to change things in the Soviet

Union. The outcome of this process is very

important, and not only to inhabitants of the

East bloc. Lasting peace, prosperity and the

state of the environment depend largely upon

side the Soviet Union, groups that prefer a

simple black-or-white picture of the world over

solved by reason instead of by armed force. He

will need all the support he can get.

A nomination for the Nobel Peace Prize

would encourage the process of growing politi-cal and cultural freedom that Mr. Gorbachev

gian Nobel Institute, Drammensveien 19, Oslo.

Late last month brought the sad eighth anni-

good relations between the superpowers.

Gorbachev: Nobel Peace Prize Candidate or Murderer of the Year

Even rather mistrustful characters must by exchange program in West Germany. I decided

a manced society in which problems have to be in a small apartment on the firth floor of a

#### seeks to excuse Israel's policies of repression and Segregated After Work

occupation. This throws grave doubt on the au-thenticity of his quest for peace and justice.

Mr. Wiesel applies colonial standards for pur-poses of comparison, and concludes that "Israel does not have to take lessons from anyone." If he accepts the notion that Israel is a colonial power,

The writer is the chief representative of the Arab League in the United States and the League's monent observer at the United Nations. Children Who Learn Together

The entertaining report "Japan Educators Build a Little Tokyo-sur-Seine" (Dec. 7) touched on issues that trouble educators everywhere. It also suggests large questions of social policy.

During the more than seven years I served as the elementary school principal of the American Overseas School of Rome, an institution with a very mixed student body, my experience was that "teamwork," respect for one's elders, serenity and dedication to study could be preserved in a multinational framework. Sometimes they are not, but that is surely not because of the heterogeneous nature of a student body.

The best thing students get out of an "over-

seas school" education is the opportunity to mix with their peers from other countries. Some who seemed to me most to benefit by this process were from Japan. All-Japanese schools in Europe? What it says to me is that educators from one of the world's most important countries have concluded that contact with young people from other nations dimin-

not to travel home for Christmas and instead

My grandfather was a nobleman who be-

building whose elevator seldom operates. During my stay, Mikhail Gorbachev was

embraced our 'Red Father' in America."

world you cannot buy a roll of toilet paper.

SHEILA McGLYNN.

Heidelberg, West Germany.

LINDA CALLAWAY.

I was glad you published the report "Middle-Class U.S. Blacks Still Largely Segregated" (Dec. 31, first edition). The fact that blacks in America are segregated was certainly no news to me. In Manhattan, all people work together, does it not follow that struggle against this colonialism is justified? He brushes these questions
aside by stating that "Israel comes out much
better than all of the others." Pethaps, but more Americans celebrate blacks like Bill Cosby and Michael Jackson, but it does not mean they want to live near black people.

JONATHAN LUNA. Radolfzell, West Germany.

#### It Was Time to Go to Work

I have often wondered about the significance of the time 6:13 atop Page 1 of every edition. Is it there to indicate some old deadline, or is it perhaps a subtle way of saying that it's morning in America? (Everything else in the scene seems to trumpet the bright dawn of a new, apparently



American age.) But my guess, after reading the centennial stories about the people who used to put the Herald Tribune together, is that it really marks the time your reporters crawled in after their nights on the town.

WILLIAM HOKE.

#### Memories of a Bandleader

With the passing at age 96 of Merle Evans (Obituaries, Jan. 5), former bandleader of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, some readers may recall the role he played in the tragic fire on July 6, 1944, in Hartford, Connecticut. The show was 20 minutes old when suddenly a small flame was seen moving across the paraffined canvas. The crowd broke toward the exits in panic. Mr. Evans quickly switched to the tent-clearing number, "The Stars and Stripes Forever." Despite many acts spent the holiday in Budapest with my 84-year-old grandfather. I was there 12 days. Upon my return to Heidelberg, I felt as though I had been delivered from an unlawful imprisonment. of heroism by performers and workmen, the disaster - the worst in circus history - took a terrible toll: 168 people, two-thirds of them came a soldier in World War II. After the war children, were either burned or trampled to Mr. Gorbachev will have to struggle against he had no home to which to return. His wife powerful conservative groups inside and out- and two children had fled to Austria. His death, and 487 were injured. Mr. Evans and his band were particularly heroic in their efforts to possessions had disappeared. Today he is a aid the crowd. Later they were cited by the bitter man who speaks five languages and lives Hartford mayor for their courage.

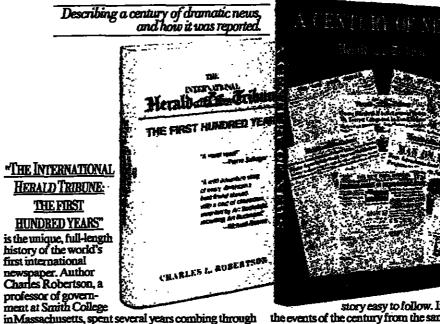
HERBERT H. JOHNSON.

#### named Time magazine's "Man of the Year." My grandfather was sadly angered. "You see that?" **Quite Precisely Confusing** he asked, pointing to the ceiling of his tiny

An editorial in your Jan. 6 issue ("A Radioacroom. "That is our 'Red Heaven,' and that is as tive Present") states, concerning a proposed high as it goes. And look, now you, too, have burial site in Nevada for radioactive waste: Yucca Mountain may be a good site: a reposi-The bitterness of a man who has lost everytory dug 1,000 feet (3,000 meters) below its thing would be understandable anywhere. But summit would still lie above the water table." at least in the West he would have a chance to Should the numbers be reversed, 3,000 feet try to earn his living anew. In Hungary, prices being about 1,000 meters? Is it 1,000 feet or for all merchandise rose at the beginning of this 1,000 meters? This letter is being written 35,000 year, as did taxes, yet earnings remain the same. feet (about 11,000 meters) above the Atlantic. items such as warm socks and meat are hard to ESTHER ZUCKER. find. People joke that with all the money in the Tel Aviv.

> The solution to this editing-error puzzle: 1,000 feet (about 300 meters).

# TWO LIVELY CENTENNIAL BOOKS TRACE THE SPIRITED HISTORY OF THE



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By Bradley Graham

BUENOS AIRES - The outnew military revolts over the past weakening democracy.

On Wednesday, President Rani to insist on a larger budget, which Alfonsin asserted that the army's Mr. Alfonsin slashed. concerted effort to quell the rebel-

But others questioned that asserapproach to the armed forces full artillery. of "double messages," a "multiplic-ity of interlocutors" and "uncer-stands at three, all on the governtainty about eventual accords."

fonsin's repeated inability to keep along the road to Monte Caseros. tensions in the military from erupting has prompted the Peronists to around the country in all, and the say they favor "military reform" army announced that 60 officers that would overcome the "recur- and 222 enlisted men had been derence of crises in the armed forces." But a number of independent

military experts agree with asser-tions by Mr. Alfonsin that the defeat of the rebels has provided a opening for peace within the military, as well as between soldiers

These experts warned, however, that more uprisings or other demonstrations could break out unless the government eased widespread resentment in the ranks over military budget cuts, human rights trials of officers and other actions other known rebel leaders remain perceived as still relegating the at large. armed forces to second-class status in Argentina's democracy.

Local commentators say that without more governmental attention to military interests, army leaders are bound to face more challenges from disgruntled officers. At the same time, Mr. Alfon-eral Juan Mabragana, spoke in fa-than tribesmen of the North-West sin's ability to provide the money vor of an amnesty for all those who Frontier Province in the mountains necessary to modernize and reorganize the armed forces into smaller, more mobile units, as planned, is

NATO Summit Is Scheduled

BRUSSELS - The North Atlantic Treaty Organization announced Wednesday that the heads of government of the 16 member nations would meet in Brussels on

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economic weakness.

The government appears to have break and eventual suppression of made no commitment to the rebels this time to reduce still further the few days has renewed a debate in number of trials. But the chief of Argentina over whether the govern-staff, General José Dante Caridi. ment's handling of the armed whose authority has been bolforces is actually strengthening or stered, now is in a stronger position to press for an end to the trials and

The latest military crisis ended lions was proof that his policy - with a minimum of casualties and particularly his decision last year to the taking into custody of a long-dismiss most human rights trials standing army dissident. Fighting against military officers - had se on Monday around the northern cured the loyalty of most troops. garrison town of Monte Caseros, which Aldo Rico, the rebel leader, tion. Apparently determined to had seized, amounted to a few skirmake military policy an issue in the mishes. The forces backing Mr. 1989 presidential campaign, opporation Peronist leaders issued a nel. quickly retreated as governstatement calling the government's ment troops fired rifles and light

The official casualty count ment's side and all resulting from Public frustration over Mr. Al- the explosion of an anti-tank mine There were six reported mutinies tained, including 116 from the Fourth Infantry Regiment in Mon-

te Caseros. Another 16 persons, among them air force officers and civilians, are being held in connection with the takeover of the municipal airport in Buenos Aires. Several rebel leaders

remain at large. Mr. Rico is being held in a mili-tary prison in Magdalena, 50 miles kilometers) south of Buenos Aires, as army prosecutors prepare charges against him. A handful of

Most army officers have refused necessarily because they disagree Even the general who headed the from Britain, government's assault force, the participated in Argentina's "dirty war" — the anti-guerrilla, anti-left ist effort of the 1970s in which Mr.

Rico played a part.
After a rebellion last spring. which Mr. Rico also directed, most of the army's senior generals were removed and Mr. Alfonsin pushed ered a Stradivarius violin worth

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Abdul Ghaffar Khan, who opposed Pakistan independence.

## Abdul Ghaffar Khan, Gandhi Associate, Dies

PESHAWAR, Pakistan - Abdul Ghaffar Khan, 98, renowned in India for helping win freedom from the British but less popular in his native Pakistan for opposing its in-dependence, died here Wednesday. Mr. Khan, who had been in a coma for 10 months, was the last of the leaders of the subcontinent's

associate of Mohandas K. Gandhi. In 1919, Mr. Khan, a Moslem, to rally behind Mr. Rico, but not joined Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru, both Hindus, in leading Inwith his aims, rather his tactics. dia's struggle to win independence

independence struggle and a close

He spread Gandhi's message of commander of the 2d Corps, Gen- passive resistance among his Pa-

#### Tokyo Police Recover Violin

through Congress a law ending the more than 10 million yen (\$75,000) prosecution of several hundred officers accused of crimes in the anti- November. They said an American guerrilla campaign. But about 50 dentist named Robert Hwang, who cases remain against retired offi- had been trying to sell it, was ar-

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nantly Moslem Pakistan and mainly Hindu India when British rule ended in 1947.

ish and later spent 15 years in Paki- of stalemated warfare in Afghanistani prisons for refusing to coop- stan and signs of emboldened guererate with the Islamabad rilla activity in 1987. government. He later was granted political asylum in Afghanistan.

In the late 1920s, Mr. Khan established the Servants of God, an army of pacifists whose oath included a promise to "refrain from sians at the end of the year. violence and from taking revenge." Al Hall, 72, Jazz Bassist

NEW YORK (AP) - AI Hall, 72, a jazz bassist and the first black musician to play in a Broadway theater orchestra production, died Monday of lung cancer.

Mr. Hall played with Count Basie, Errol Garner, Billie Holiday, Dexter Gordon, Eddie Condon, Ben Webster. He played in the orchestra for the 1946 production of "Barefoot Boy with Cheek." He also played for "The Music Man." "Fiddler on the Roof," and "High

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## Philippe de Rothschild Dies at 85; Winegrower, Author, Sportsman

Compiled by Our Stoff From Depatches He was also known as a writer. They had one daughter, Philippine, PARIS — Baron Philippe de sportsman, theater director and mother of his three grandchildren. Rothschild, 85, one of the most movie producer. renowned names in the French wine industry and a member of the

European banking family, died Wednesday at his Paris home. Baron Philippe devoted much of his life to the Mouton-Rothschild Weisweiller. vineyard in the Médoc region of Bordeaux, at Pauillac, after his fa-

ther made him manager of the family's vineyards there in 1922. He turned it from a rundown property into an operation producby Jean Giraudoux. ing one of the world's finest wines. With the film director, Marc Al-Classified as a second growth in 1855, Mouton was upgraded to a first growth in 1973 due to his ef-

In 1933, he acquired a neighboring property, Mouton d'Armailbeth Pelletier de Chambure, was Christopher Fry, Marlowe's "Dr. hacq, which became Mouton Baron deported by the Nazis and died in Faustus," and a book of Elizabeth

The Baron Philippe, as he was commonly known, was born in Paris, the son of Baron Henri de Roth-schild and the former Mathilde de

In the 1920s he became interest ed in theater. From 1924 to 1928. he built the Theatre Pigalle, and from 1928 to 1931, put on plays. Among them were Sacha Guitry's 'Histoire de France" and "Judith'

lègret, he made "Lacs aux Dames," which in 1932 was the first major French talking movie.

His first wife, Countess Elisa-Ravensbruck concentration camp. than poems.

After having been imprisoned by the collaborationist Vichy govern-

ment, the baron joined the Free French Forces in London and parucipated as a liaison officer during

the Normandy landings.

Sports, particularly auto racing, were a passion for him. His Bugatti finished second in the German Grand Prix and fourth in the Monaco Grand Prix in 1929. He twice drove in the Le Mans 24 hours, finishing fifth in 1929.

He also won the French Cup in eight-meter sailing twice. He was the author of books, po-

ems, and a fairy tale, written for his daughter. He also translated English works, including those of (AP, Reuters)

# Reagan Aide Angered by Control

WASHINGTON - President Ronald Reagan's chief spokesman accused Senator Christopher J. Dodd and other Democrats on Wednesday of wanting to surren-

der to achieve peace in Nicaragia.
The chief White House spokesman, Marlin Fitzwater, said that Mr. Dodd, an opponent of U.S. aid to the Nicaraguan rebels, "accuses the administration of not support ing" the Central American peace plan. That's an outrageous state ment" he said.

There was no immediate response from Mr. Dodd, who is a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and represent Connecticut

Although Mr. Dodd said carfier Wednesday that he could vote for dditional aid to the Nicaragu rebels, or contras, if President Dark iel Ortega Saavedra reneges on recent Sandinist concessions, the senator generally advocates withholding aid. He has been a strong supporter of the Central American peace plan, which calls for a halt to outside support of rebel forces in the region.

The Democrats and Chris Dodd want to surrender," said Mr. Fitzwater. "They think that's the best way to achieve peace." Mr. Fitzwater said that Mr. Dodd "thinks we should lay down our arms and Daniel Ortega would

o the right thing."
Mr. Dodd joined Representative do the right thing." Lee H. Hamilton, Democrat of Indiana, another opponent of contra aid, in challenging Mr. Ortega to make good on promised concessions. Congress is to debate and vote on Mr. Resgan's request for continuing aid for the guernilas on Feb. 3 and 4.

Mr. Ortega agreed last weekend to talk directly with the rebek about a cease-fire, to release political prisoners and to lift the state of

emergency in his country. Mr. Reagan declared that de spite Mr. Ortega's concessions Nicaragua would not meet Wednesday's deadline under the peace treaty to negotiate a ceasefire with the U.S.-backed contra Yunus Khalis, that the guerrillas abad and Kabul to prepare for the rebels. As a result, the president next round of UN-sponsored talks said he had anthonized the CIA to in Geneva, which the Afghan For- resume air drops of military sup-Sibghatullah Mujaddidi, head of eign Ministry described as opening plies that were suspended Jan. 12 of

### AFGHAN: Kabul's Hold on Khost Remains Tenuous

(Continued from Page 1) the winding, mountainous road to Gardez, 60 miles away.

Although the government interroad, it was unable to pry the rebels from their positions in the arid In recent years the government resupplied Khost primarily by air, but the guerrillas' access to Stingers began to make that untenable last year. In October, the rebels severed

The campaign to relieve Khost, Mr. Khan opposed the partition initiated by the need to get proviof the subcontinent into predomi- sions to the inhabitants, turned in November and December into a political and psychological operation as well, designed to show Sovi-He was imprisoned by the Brit- et and Afghan strength after years

> Unlike previous battles in the war, which received little coverage in the Soviet Union, the fight to open the Khost-Gardez road became a running news story for Rus-

> Moscow and Kabul have cited the victory as a sign that Afghan forces can continue to prosecute the war on their own, should fighting continue during and after a Soviet pullout. In the Soviet Union, the campaign is presented as a symbol of Soviet power and evidence

that Moscow, if it chooses to leave, his government was not Marxist will not do so as a loser.

The object of the fierce fighting is a primitive town composed of four or five square blocks of dried-mud buildings and shops. It is lo-cated in the middle of a barren but strangely beautiful valley sur-Soviet troops in Afghanistan." mittently regained control of the four or five square blocks of driedhighlands of eastern Afghanistan. strangely beautiful valley surrounded by towering mountains.

and was committed to nonalignment after a Soviet troop pullout, Reuters reported from Kabul.

In New York on Tuesday, the

■ Najib Cites Nonalignment UN secretary-general, Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, said the United Nations Major General Najib, the Af-ghan leader, said Wednesday that out, under accords already reached.

#### Afghan Rebels Are Divided **Over Meeting UN Mediator** Front, described the statement as

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan - Re- Mr. Khalis's personal view and, acbels fighting the Soviet-backed Af- cording to his son, Rahimullah, ghan government were divided said that he would be prepared to Wednesday over whether to meet meet with Mr. Cordovez if the opwith a UN mediator who arrived here on a diplomatic mission.

Two of the seven parties in the sued by a spokesman for Mr. Kharebel alliance based in Islamabad is's Hezb-i Islami party, who said said they had not been consulted it was made on behalf of all the on an announcement Tuesday by rebel leaders. the alliance chairman, Mowlavi would refuse to meet Diego Cordovez, the United Nations envoy.

portunity arose. The statement Tuesday was is-

Mr. Cordovez is visiting Islamthe Afghan National Liberation the way for a peace settlement.

tion of permitting free elections.

that the Sandinists have no inten-tion of permitting free elections. Unlike the armies of Guatemala, But rebel spokesmen in Guate- Honduras and, until recent years. mala and El Salvador charge that of El Salvador, the Nicaraguan the governments there would never Army and the police have almost let the rebels win a real share of always jailed their opponents, rath-

power either. They argue that the er than killed them. The two exceptions to the killing governments have shown this by killing tens of thousands of rebel of prisoners in states outside of before the Inter-American Court supporters in the past and refusing. Nicaragua are Costa Rica, which dical disoners, and Fi Salvador. After years of executing most prisoners, the Salvadoran Army generally has taken and held

prisoners in recent years. top human rights official who was that there are several ways in which critical of the Sandinistas was shot it has failed to comply with the forced to release more than 450. As a result, President José Nano-león Duarte of El Salvador was political prisoners in the midst of the civil war to comply with the treaty - a move strongly criticized

#### LATIN: Nicaragua Is Becoming the Sole Focus of Regional Peace Treaty operations in return for a Cuban as the Sandinists. They have told amnesty them to five in their own

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compliance will be overlooked as attention focuses on Nicaragua.

In a step that appears aimed at saving Honduras from further embarrassment, all four Central American leaders besides Nicaragua overruled Sandinist objections and abolished an international verification commission originally established by the accord. The international commission

strongly sympathetic to Nicaragua. and Costa Rica condemn Mexico cuting Honduras for maintaining not only ordered the killings but as a biased observer. After abolishing the original ver-

ification commission, the presidents created a toothless monitoring committee made up of the five Central American foreign ministers. The new committee is unlikely to ask for on-site inspection of suspected contra camps in Honduras, as Mexico did.

lowing Guatemalan rebels to set up question of arranging a cease-fire.

promise not to meddle in Mexico's the rebels simply to give up their country, as the treaty calls for unstable domestic politics, a charge guns and stand in elections. U.S. But Nicaraguan officials answer officials argue that the difference is that they face a unique problem in say is probably true.

In a separate incident indicating a double standard in applying the regional peace treaty, one of the top officials of the main human rights groups in Honduras, was shot dead there last week. The official, Miguel Angel Pavon, recently included Mexico, which has been testified against the government El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala on Fluman Rights, which is prose- to prosecute the army officers who

> army death squads. "Can you imagine what the reac- units. tion in Washington would be if a dead in Managua?" a non-U.S. dip-lomat in Costa Rica said.

Nicaragua also has been criticized by the Reagan administration and contra officials for not agree-But in a glimpse of the politics of ing to wider peace talks with the the region, Guatemalan officials rebels that would treat broad politcondemned Mexico in turn for al- ical issues as well as the technical

who now command powerful army Critics of Nicaragua point out

regional accord. Nicaragua appears to have continued to aid Salvadoran guerrillas and to maintain laws, besides the formal state of emergency, that hamper press freedom and political expression.

In addition, Nicaraguan leaders say they plan a major military buildup, they show few signs of lans Capel, True discrete pro-chi and on the case industry in the second balled at of the comment of the Albre to see Torrige

by the army.
It remains to be seen if El Salva-

dor will now reimpose a state of siege and close down a rebel political office that it has allowed to function. The contra rebel radio supply routes and camps in Mexico. Guatemalan officials say they believe Mexico permits the rebel groups the same menu letting refugees return to war zones and they have offered to exile political prisoners abroad, rather than treaty, could also now be reopened.

## GULF: French Commander Warns Iranian Gunboats ISRAEL:

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scribed by Admiral Labouerie, would go beyond standing U.S. na-val policy in the Gulf, which pronon-U.S. flag vessels, but Reagan administration officials, including Defense Secretary Frank C. Carbello Secretar lucci, have given no public sign that

they are receptive to such a move. U.S. warships have provided humanitarian and rescue assistance to neutral shipping after Iranian attacks, but as one U.S. frigate captain said this week, "We're not go but we're not

anything

the Dupleix was escorting the range of the Iranian rockets to jus-French minesweeper Orion tify his demand that the attackers Policy of Beatings through the Strait of Hormuz. The Dupleix's commander,

hibits U.S. commanders from firing on attacking Iranian gunboats that he heard at 3:42 P.M. the radio then ne is tured mander said. unless U.S. flag vessels are threat-ened. U.S. naval commanders have ened. U.S. naval commanders have tered chemical tanker Rainbow. sought expanded authority to inter-about 11 miles (17 kilometers) bevene and stop Iranian attacks on hind him, and that he turned his

ets at Rainbow without reaching her," Commander Musset said. As the Dupleix closed the dis-

ing to get in the middle of anything."

Admiral Labouerie, 54, recently would fire, "Commander Musset assumed command of the Indian said, adding, "The speedboats Ocean fleet, which now makes up stopped shooting and moved

cease fire.

"When we come within range, Claude Musset, said in a separate then he is threatening us," the com-

Elaborating on the commander's remarks, Admiral Labouerie said: "I think everybody should do the same thing. The international war fleets are here to reduce tensions."

mander Musset said a French warship responded to the mayday call house to house searches, Reiners of the Liberian flag tanker Stena Concordia on the night of Dec. 22.

The warship "headed straight for the position of the tanker," he said, and Works Agency, said the UN the attack" by an Iranian frigate.

The commander denied a publings by Israeli troops Tuesday ished report last week that the Dunight. pleix was fired on while escorting 3 Killed in Border Clash the French registered tanker Athos through the Strait of Hormuz.

one-third of France's combatant forces. He formerly commanded his nation's Atlantic Ocean fleet.

The incident that led to Admiral Labouerie's declaration of French he deliberately put the Duplex naval policy occurred Saturday as stopped snooting and moved through the said that since France had begun protecting French-flag merchant shipping. 12 tankers carrying over three million tons of crude oil had been successfully escorted through the Gulf.

(Continued from Page 1) when they return to their homes they will understand that it is not possible to get up at 9 or 10 in the morning" and that they would no longer "think it's a national sport

to throw stones and set tires on fire and nothing will happen." Israeli troops used clubs against Citing another incident, Com- demonstrators in the Kadurah defugee camp in Ramallah during

reported and this had the effect of stopping center in the Jabalya refugee camp treated 52 residents for severe beat-

Israeli troops killed three Palestinian guerrillas Wednesday, just moments after the Palestinians cut begun protecting French-flag mer-chant shipping. 12 tankers carrying over three million tons of crude oil parently to launch an atrack. The border and slipped into Israel, ap-parently to launch an attack. The New York Times reported from le

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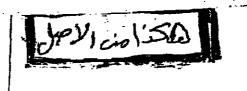
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Kewley believe that their research, which pulls together and interprets many smaller studies, strongly re-establishes the tie between illness and personality and that other researchers had erred by trying to make the thesis too specific. Their findings suggest that being neurotic makes a person twice as likely as someone not neurotic to contract to some kind of illness - that constant hostility is as dangerous as high cholesterol or smoking is in one and close down and a document of the that it has the heart disease, for example. The new findings have inspired

intense debate. No one doubts that there appears to be an association between personality and disease; but critics argue vigorously that much of the correlation can be ex-plained by the complaining nature of neurones and their tendency to be sensitive to every discomfort. "Neurotics' complaints are best viewed as exaggerations of bodily concerns rather than as signs of organic disease," according to an

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New York Times Service

of cells, scientists are hopeful that they can devise strategies against the 40 or more diseases that result

when the immune system mistak-

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These autoimmune diseases in-

clude juvenile diabetes, multiple

clerosis, rheumatoid arthritis, my-

asthenia gravis and hipus. Scientists believe that, for the first time, they know enough to try to design drugs to block the immune system's

"Until now, there was absolutely

no way to think about treating these diseases — absolutely none,

said Dr. Malcolm Gefter, an immu-

pologist at the Massachusetts Insti-

tute of Technology. New findings

about cell surface cavities make "a

quantum difference," he added.

diseases and have discovered the

molecules involved in causing

them. Their goal now is to design

drugs to block these molecules and

prevent the diseases.
"We're on the cusp of under-

standing why people get these dis-cases," Dr. Gefter said.

University School of Medicine

said, "We're within a gnat's hair of

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to know about how the immune

A key finding was made in the last few months, when researchers

By Daniel Goleman

New York Times Service

gists depict being neurotic as a key factor in susceptibility to disease.

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In the past, specific traits were

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Researchers say the new study bol-sters the view that, for some people, psychotherapy may foster physical as well as emotional well-being

Dr. Friedman and Dr. Booth-

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Dr. Friedman's research, published in a recent issue of The

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**Autoimmune Diseases** 

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ous immine defenses include production of antibodies that attack an invading agent and stimulation of other T-cells to attack infected body cells. But scientists have also learned that in order for the T-cells to turn on the immune system, they must first be activated, something that another type of cell brings

Antibody formation starts when not activated. macrophages, the body's scavenger cells, ingest a foreign substance such as a virus. The macrophages chop up the viral proteins and put fragments into grooves in the HLA molecules that dot their surfaces.

Then T-cells come by, carried by the bloodstream. The T-cells "see" the viral protein fragment presented to them by the macrophages and invader - activate the immune system to attack that particular protein wherever it is found.

cific protein fragment within an HLA molecule. But those T-cells that recognize fragments from a person's own proteins, scientists HLA protein are susceptible to diabetes, are killed. This prevents that recognize fragments from a person's own proteins, scientists HLA protein are susceptible to diabetes, for example, while those with HLA proteins, and each person has eight types on his own cells. Until recently, scientists did not know exactly what these HLA molecules, are killed. This prevents Each T-cell can recognize a spe-

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Being Neurotic Makes You Sick

molecular structure of a crucial the immune system from acciden-

When a person has an autoimmune disease, however, his T-cells are activated to help destroy a pro-The new work builds on the im- tein from his own body. The specifproving understanding of the role ic cells involved differ with each of T-cells, a type of white blood cell disease, but the essential process is

In a person prone to juvenile-"T-cells are required to turn on onset diabetes, for example, the the immune system in all of its process begins when something, forms," Dr. Gefter said. These vari-

Macrophages ingest the dam-aged pancreas cells. The macro-phages put small fragments of pancreas proteins into the HLA molecules on their surfaces. Normally, the T-cells recognize that the particular fragments are from the person's own body proteins. For that reason, the immune system is But the people who are suscepti-

ble to diabetes have different HLA molecules, which bind different fragments of pancreas proteins than in a non-diabetic. The person's T-cells do not recognize these fragments as from the body, instead reacting as though they were from an invading organism. The immune system is activated and - in a counterattack against the attacks the pancreas. The result is

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fragments indicate a foreign invader, the system attacks. Normally the body recognizes the fragments, attached to something called an HLA molecule, as rts own, and defenses are not triggered. The immune system's weapons are T-cells, in the diabetic, mistaking the insulin-producing cells for aliens, the T-cells destroy them. The body loses its ability to produce insulin, a condition called diabetes

This new understanding of auto- another are susceptible to multiple Wiley of Harvard University re- now get a rough picture of the immunity explains an old observa-tion that particular types of HLA HLA proteins, and each person has

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The study was based on intensive

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who were deemed "fittest" among

their classmates. Those who were

most pessimistic or fatalistic as stu-

dents, the study found, were more

susceptible to diseases of all kinds

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Gefter said. Using the detailed proteins on his macrophages, structure of one of these HLA mol-blocking the harmful ones would ecules and knowing the chemical mean "nicking off only about 16

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#### Myths of the Misunderstood Infection

CHICAGO (UPI) - A lot of women who have recently had sex with new partners have been rushing to their doctors with complaints of a sharp, burning sensation when they urinate. They also have noticed blood in their urine and they conclude their partner has infected them with the

And likely, they are wrong. Though they may have been exposed to the AIDS virus, the exposure causes no immediate symptoms. And what they probably have - a urinary tract infection - they did not get from their

An estimated one in five women develop a UTI every year. A poll of 200 women found that 40 percent said a sexual partner could transmit a UTI, and others thought the infection was caused by tight clothing. bubble baths or bathing suits, all myths. Bacteria in the bladder is the cause, and treatment is uncomplicated, involving a two- or three-day therapy using a simple antibiotic such as penicillin.

#### Hemoglobin Genes in Plants

NEW YORK (NYT) — Scientists say they suspect that all plants have the genes needed to produce hemoglobin. In animals and humans, hemoglobin is the substance that carries blood to all tissues of the body. It has long been known that plant equivalents of hemoglobin exist in the root nodules of many plants that can incorporate nitrogen from the air

Scientists now report evidence of hemoglobin's presence in other plants that do not form root nodules. "Our data suggest that all plants have hemoglobin genes and imply that hemoglobin has a function presumably associated with oxygen transport, in cells of normal roots."

#### Pluto, Charon Could be Double Planet

AUSTIN, Texas (NYT) - Observations of Pluto and its moon, Charon, are providing astronomers with evidence that they may be a

double planet enveloped in a single atmosphere. The large size of Charon relative to Pluto, and the closeness of its orbit, only some 12,000 miles (19,300 kilometers) away from Pluto, had suggested to astronomers that the two were more like a double planet than the usual planet and satellite.

An analysis of these and other recent findings led a team of astronomers to predict that molecules from Pluto's tenuous methane atmosphere extend out to Charon. In reporting their analysis, the scientists said, "These results are considered to be significant because the Pluto-Charon system appears to be the only example in the solar system of a double planet with an atmosphere interacting with both bodies."

#### **Nature Moves Stones in Slow Motion**

SPITSBERGEN, Norway (NYT) - The "sorted circles of Spitsbergen." mysterious rings of stone, have long stood as evidence that nature does not always need human architects to pick up rocks and arrange them in patterns. What forces combined to create these structures, since found in a number of similar regions around the world, has remained an enigma.

Bernard Hallet, a University of Washington geologist, says he believes the problem has been solved. At a test site at Spitsbergen he has recorded

a process of soil motion that seems strong enough to create the sorted circles. He said that an unusual motion of soil comes from a repeated freezing and thawing cycle. Over successive seasons and centuries, an upward and outward rolling motion takes shape that resembles convection, a churning usually driven by a difference in temperature.

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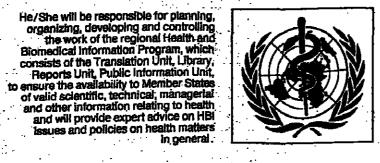
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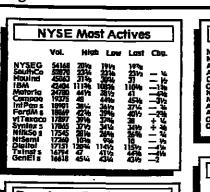
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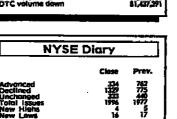
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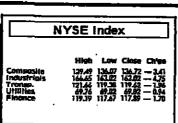
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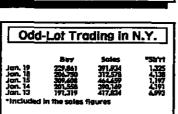
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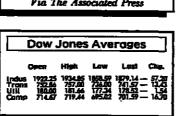


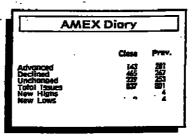
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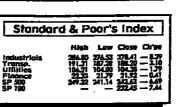


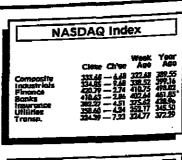


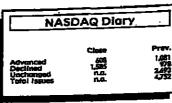












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United Press International

"Those looking for excuses will point to the NEW YORK — Prices on the New York arbitragers and the Motorola earnings on top of Stock Exchange suffered a broad decline the IBM earnings," he said. "But we have been wednesday as early weakness tied to a lower in a cyclical bear market since last August and dollar accelerated into a wave of selling that

took its greatest toll on the technology sector.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks, which had fallen 27.52 points Tuesday, plunged 57.20, or 2.96 percent, to close at 1,879.14. That was the closely watched barometer's first close below the 1,900 level since Dec. 11, when the index finished at 1,867.04.

In early afternoon trading, the Dow dropped 40 points in 30 minutes.

Declines trounced advances by a 13-3 ratio.

Trading was active with volume at 181.67 million shares, up from 153.55 million Tuesday.

"The exchange can't blame the decline on the

programmers today," said Al Goldman, market strategist at A.G. Edwards & Sons in St. Louis. "The market broke through the psychological barrier at 1,900 and participants are gradually starting to realize that we established an intermediate top" on Jan. 7, when the Dow closed at

He said the 140-point plunge the next day "was not an aberration, but a beginning of a test of the lows established in October."

Broad-market indexes also fell sharply, with the New York Stock Exchange index down 3.41 points to 136.72 and Standard & Poor's 500stock index off 6.69 to 242.63. The average share price lost 76 cents.

Mr. Goldman said there was some program said that "no one expected to see good housing selling, but "this was natural selling, as evidenced by the negative advance-decline ratio."

As for the prices, "inflation is not perceived as a problem on Wall Street."

have an abnormal number of economic potholes in front of us. We might be able to stumble into one, but if we hit four or five, that will spell trouble for the financial markets."

Motorola said its fourth-quarter earnings rose to 79 cents a share from 49 cents in the year-ago quarter. While the earnings improved, as did those IBM reported Tuesday, analysts were not impressed

Ton Gallagher, managing director in charge of capital commitment at Oppenheimer & Co., said the market's early fall reflected concern over a slide in the dollar and disappointment over its failed attempt to rally Tuesday.

"There is no urgency for people to come back into the market just yet," Mr. Gallagher said. "Some people have been burned over the last couple of weeks and are now willing to wait until stocks reach a cheaper level."

He said investors "were shattered" by the 140-point drop on Jan. 8, and that concern was

Those willing to come in are doing so at a slower pace," he said. "People are being more selective, more conservative. The overall market is very quiet and just has no leadership.'

Referring to U.S. figures on housing starts mer prices, released Wednesday, he

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#### INTERNATIONAL MANAGER

## New European Owners Retaining U.S. Managers

By SHERRY BUCHANAN

TONDON - For European concerns, the days of "our man in Peoria" are over. Traditionally, corporate headquar-ters in Europe tried to run newly acquired companies in far-off lands by putting in one of their own to teach the new acquisitions to do business their way. But as the wave of acquisitions in the United States by European companies contin-British companies like to keep the U.S. manage the store.

British companies like to keep the U.S. management team in place," said Philip Healey, publisher and editor of Acquisitions Monthly, a British trade publication. "It's a crucial factor in whether or not they buy the company. A lot of U.S. companies

like to be bought by British companies because they know they will be left on their own." According to the monthly's latest survey, acquisitions in the United States by British companies are estimated to have increased in value from \$13.6 billion in 1986 to \$27.2

The hands-off approach is gaining ground with French and British buyers.

"What British companies usually do is only to make the acquisition if they believe the management to be good," said John Mervis, president of JP. Mervis & Co., a corporate finance adviser in London. "Many companies who buy in the United Kingdom to turn companies around wouldn't dream of doing that in the United States."

French companies, too, are taking a more hands-off approach

with their U.S. acquisitions. The tendency for French companies now is to keep management of U.S. acquisitions American, said Serge Bellanger, president of the French-American Chamber of Commerce in New

There has to be a partnership between the U.S. and French management; that's the key," said Mr. Bellanger, who is also executive vice president of Credit Industriel et Commercial's New York branch.

Michel Berty, secretary-general of Cap Gemini Sogeti, a French software company, said, "Now that we have an American president as head of our U.S. operations, he often carries more weight and credibility with the board back in Paris than when I had that job." This state of affairs arises, he said, because "being a local, it's assumed he knows what he is talking about."

DASD, a software company, in Milwaukee in 1981, Mr.
Berty was sent over to manage it. He came back to Paris HEN Cap Gemini made its first U.S. acquisition, in 1985 after choosing and training an American successor. Cap Gemini's U.S. sales have increased from \$52 million in 1981 to \$114 million in 1986.

Of the 20 largest U.S. acquisitions by British companies last year, a big majority, so far, have kept the existing American management in place. Many said they actually bought U.S. companies because they perceived the local management teams

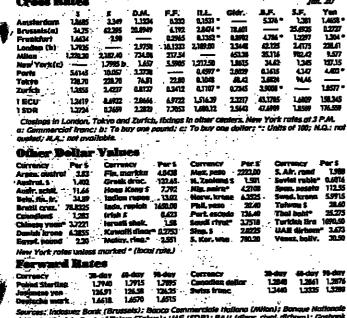
When Dixons PLC, a British electrical products retailer, bought Cyclops Corp. for \$384 million last year, it kept Cyclops's Silo subsidiary, a chain of electrical retail outlets, and sold the rest of Cyclops to Allegheny Corp. It is Dixons' first overseas

"What we wanted when we bought Cyclops was Silo's management team," said William Lazarus, financial controller of Dixons. "We find done our research and were impressed with them: We run our group very autonomously."

James Fromstein, director of corporate communications at

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## Texaco Sale Offer Reported

**Company Denies** Icahn Statement

WHITE PLAINS, New York — Carl C. Icahn, in testimony at a bankruptcy hearing Wednesday. woundary, said the Texaco president, James W. Kinnear, discussed with him the possible sale of the company for \$60 a share. Mr. Icahn said Mr. Kinnear told

him, "If you want to buy it, why don't you talk about \$60 a share." Mr. Icahn, the New York investor who now holds 14.5 percent of Texaco's stock, said the discussions took place in the last six weeks. Later Wednesday, Texaco said

Mr. Kinnear never suggested the company was for sale at any price. In Wednesday trading on the New York Stock Exchange, Texaco's shares gained 37.5 cents each to close at \$38.125.

In a statement, Mr. Kinnear also said he regretted that Mr. Icahn had resorted to what he called fabrication in an attempt to use the bankruptcy proceedings to reap short-term gains by putting Texaco on the block.

Mr. Icahn also said at the hearing on his Texaco restructuring proposals that the investment banking firm of Bear Stearns & Co. was buying shares of Texaco on the New York Stock Exchange.

Mr. Icahn, the leading Texaco shareholder, said Bear Stearns did not disclose the name of its client. Mr. Icahn told the court he men-

tioned Mr. Kinnear's statement in a discussion with the president of Occidental Petroleum Corp. and added that he met with Occidental's chairman, Armand Hammer, the following day.

He said that after he mentioned his Texaco discussions with Occidental, he had a discussion with Mr. Kinnear about the sale of the company. Mr. Icahn said he asked Mr. Kinnear about the \$60-a-share igure and Mr. Kinnear replied, 'Carl, I never meant that."

Texaco settled its legal dispute with Pennzoil Co. for \$3 billion last month. The settlement was included in a bankruptcy reorganization plan Texaco filed with the court.





Charles M. Winter, chief executive of Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC. The group has maintained its base in Edinburgh, saying it has significant cost advantages over London.

#### Scottish Bank Casts Its Line in U.S. As U.K. Pond Is Crowded, Royal Seeks East-Coast Catch

By Warren Getler onal Herald Tribune

EDINBURGH — Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC is spending a lot of time these days thinking about the U.S. retail banking sector, specifically the East Coast market. Given the weak dollar and depressed U.S. share prices, Royal might well succeed in acquiring a bank "across the

pond" by year's end, executives say.

"It is not impossible that we would make a move this year," said Charles M. Winter, the chief executive of the Edinburgh-based banking group, in an

For RBS, Britain's fifth-largest retail bank with assets of £19.1 billion (\$33.9 billion), the purchase of a U.S. regional bank would make a lot of sense. For one thing, it would reduce the group's depen-dence on the British market and on sterling-denominated assets.

"Royal Bank's prospects look reasonably good at the moment," said David Nisbet, a banking analyst with the brokers Wood Markenzie & Co. in Edinburgh. "The biggest problem will be the dependence on the U.K. market, where margins in traditional retail banking will come under considerable pressure over the next two or three years." British banks are facing increased competition from building societies, which are similar to sav-

ings and loan associations, Mr. Nisbet noted, He added, "We expect lending growth in consumer RBS gets high marks for its profit performance,

with annual growth in pretax earnings averaging

saturation of the Scottish retail market, in which it has built a 42 percent share, and its expanding presence in the English market, including London-based securities trading through its merchant bank subsidiary, Charterhouse PLC. Royal Bank has an estimated 3.5 percent market

The bulk of that growth was achieved through

share of the English retail banking sector, which is 10 times the size of the Scottish market. It hopes to make further inroads against the big four — Barclays, National Westminster, Lloyds and Midland banks, all London-based — as well as TSB Bank of London and Edinburgh-based Bank of Scotland. Analysts caution that the Scottish market sector has fully matured and that the English market is

fiercely competitive in both retail and investment banking. RBS executives are quick to acknowledge the limitations of the domestic scene, including the vulnerability of the British economy to further declines in the dollar. "We concluded back in 1983 that one of our

long-term strategic aims must be to diversify away from revenues which were almost entirely sterling-based and almost entirely derived from the U.K. market," Mr. Winter said.

"Having gone through the traumas of the early 1980s," he said, "it occurred to us that if we remained a bank that was purely sterling-based and purely U.K.-based, we were tying ourselves absolutely to the outlook for the U.K. economy." While that outlook is "fairly bright at the mo-ment," the chief executive said, "it seems to us

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# **U.S. Prices Rose** 0.1% for Month, 4.4 % for Year

WASHINGTON - Inflation in the United States has continued to grow moderately, the Labor De-partment reported Wednesday, with the Consumer Price Index up 0.1 percent for December and 4.4 percent for all of 1987.

December's increase, which followed a 0.3 percent rise in the index in November and an 0.4 percent jump in October, was the smallest for a month since July 1986, when the index was unchanged.

The 4.4 percent rise for 1987 was four times the 1986 rate and the biggest annual jump in prices since the 8.9 percent leap in 1981. But analysis were not overly concerned.

"It was just the energy prices coming up from the abnormally low level of 1986," said David Wyss, an economist with Data Resources Inc., an economic consulting company in Lexington, Massa-chusetts. "The overall picture is very stable for inflation."

While the inflation rate of 1.1 percent for 1986, the lowest in more than two decades, had been held back by a 19.7 percent collapse in world oil prices, much of the 1987 increase reflected an 8.2 percent rebound in energy costs.

In December, energy costs fell 1.1 percent, including a 2.2 percent decline for gasoline, a 1.5 percent fall for heating oil and a 0.2 percent drop for natural gas and electricity.

For the year, gasoline prices gained 18.6 percent and heating oil costs 12.9 percent, Natural gas and electricity charges were up 0.3 per-

Food and beverage costs rose 3.5 percent for all of 1987. In December, they gained 0.5 percent, led by a record 72.4 percent jump in lettuce prices because of disease and bad weather in California and Arizon, the main growing areas. Without the volatile food and

energy categories, consumer prices rose by 3.5 percent in 1987, and by 0.1 percent in December.

The Consumer Price Index is based on a hypothetical selection of goods and services. The companion Producer Price Index, released last week, showed wholesale prices rising a more modest 2.2 percent in 1987.

#### **Housing Starts Plunged 16.2%** Last Month

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches WASHINGTON — U.S. housing starts plunged 16.2 per-cent in December from Novem-ber, the steepest monthly decline in more than three years, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

The department said that the December weakness helped drag down the figure for the entire year by 10.5 percent to 1.62 million starts, the poorest showing since the recession year of 1982.

December's decline was the largest since a 26 percent plunge in March 1984. Adding to the bad news was the department's downward revision of the November figure, originally reported as a 7.5 percent gain,

to a 6.6 percent advance.

Building permits also fell 8.8 percent from November, and 24 percent from the December 1986 rate of 1.81 million.

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Economists have been watch ing for signs of whether the October market crisis jolted consumer confidence enough to trigger a recession in 1988. The November gain in housing starts was strong, but analysts said then that unusually warm weather and a decline in mortgage rates had artificially inflated the figures. In December, mortgage rates began rising again. (AP, UPI, Reuters)

The producer index is lower because it reflects only prices received by U.S. manufacturers and farmers for their products and does not include two of the fastest-rising categories in the Consumer Price Index: services and imported goods. The Consumer Price Index includes both services, like medical costs, and imported goods, reflect-See INFLATION, Page 13

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14 percent over the past decade.

By Steven Greenhouse New York Times Service

PARIS - With his bold bid for Société Générale de Belgique, the huge holding company that by some estimates controls a third of Belgian industry, the Italian entre-preneur Carlo de Benedetti seems to have moved far ahead of the crowd in building a Europe-wide financial and industrial empire.

Mr. de Benedetti, who in addi-tion to his other financial activities is chairman of Italy's giant automated office equipment maker Olivetti SpA, seems to view Europe as a chessboard. It is there for the conquering. And, like a chess champion, he seems to be 5 or 10 moves ahead of everyone else. Analysts have praised Mr. de

nedeth's attempt to buy a large block of Générale de Belgique shares in order to build the first great European holding company. Nowadays, the word on the lips of every continental executive is "1992"—the year the commercial and financial borders among the 12 European Community nations are scheduled to disappear. While many business executives

talk about the economic integration of Europe, Mr. de Benedetti has built an a financial and industrial empire that stretches from Italy into France, Spain, Britain, Switzeriand and, now, Belgium.

"We'll see a lot more of these cross-border attempts to extend one's empire among companies in the financial sector," said Daniele Serruya, an analyst of European industry with Phillips & Drew in London. "That's the logic of 1992."

Several factors apparently con-vinced Mr. de Benedetti to launch an attack on Générale de Belgique, which is so sacrosance that it has been called Belgium Inc. First, its stock was undervalued, and many of the 1,261 companies in which it holds interests are underperholds interests are underper-formers. Second, because it is in so many industries — steel, diamonds, said Patrick Vermeulen, an analyst insurance, banking and chemicals, to name a few - it provides Mr. de Benedetti with an extraordinary selection of areas on which to build.

are less strict than those of many gian authorities, concerned about a other European countries, not even foreigner taking over such an es-requiring large shareholders to di-vulge their holdings when they tender offer. On the other hand, move above certain thresholds. since these officials are usually at the Lastly, Générale de Belgique is fore in calling for an end to Europe's based in Brussels, the heart of the economic barriers, they might have European Community, and in the difficulty coming up with a rationale to book Mr. de Benedetti.

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"Mr. de Benedetti invokes 1992. "It is the only way to make Europe-This is a very concrete example of an companies big enough to com-how the European market will operate after 1992," said Etienne panies."

Reuter, a spokesman for the EC's Commissioner on Competition, in praising Mr. de Benedetti for ex-

panding as if borders did not exist. Officials who work for Mr. de Benedetti said that expanding from a base in Brussels will be easier than expanding from his present base in Milan. Other European companies or governments will have a harder time raising nationalistic objections to bids made by a company in Brussels, which sym-

bolizes Europe. Still, Mr. de Benedetti ran into a storm of nationalistic objections when he announced Monday that his Paris-based investment company, Compagnies Européennes Réunies, or Cerus, was seeking to raise his 18.6 interest in Générale de Belgique by another 15 percent. Belgians were incensed that a foreigner would try to take over "la Genérale," the 166-year-old institution

'We'll see a lot more. That's the logic of 1992.' A London analyst

The management of Générale de Belgique is trying to block Mr. de Benedetti's bid by increasing its cap-italization by \$1.57 billion, or 60 percent, to dilute his holdings. In addition, it is asking Belgian au-thorities to halt Mr. de Benedetti's tender offer. So far, a judge has ruled that Générale de Belgique can not increase its capitalization because the law prohibits such a move in response to a takeover attempt.

After meeting with Belgium's fi-nance minister, Mark Eyskens, Mr. de Benedetti agreed to limit his holdings to 25 percent, while selling any shares he received in excess of 25 percent to allies in Belgium, "I think his arrival will be a good

with Dewaay, Sebille Servais & Compagnie in Brussels. "I don't see him as a raider. I see him as an It remains unclear whether Bel-

this," said a Brussels-based banker.

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NEW YORK — Irving Bank Corp. said Wednesday that it took a fourth-quarter \$250 million special provision for loans to developing countries, resulting in a loss for the period of \$175.8 million.

That compared with a profit of \$31.0 million, or \$1.65 a share, in the year-earlier quarter.

For all of 1987, the bank reported a loss of \$193.3 million, or \$10.83 a share, versus a gain of \$128.1 million, or \$6.83 a share, in 1986. Bankers Trust New York Corp. said Wednesday that its earnings increased for the quarter and the year despite a loan-loss provision for Third World debt, while Continental Illinois Bank reported losses for both periods.

Irving said that the fourth-quarter provision followed a similar action in the second quarter of 1987.

The combined moves bring Irving's allow-ance available for Third World debt to \$550 million, or about 33 percent of nontrade-related loans to developing countries.

Joseph H. Rice, Irving's chairman, said that the bank made the additional provision because of the uncertainty surrounding debt to these countries.

Separately, Irving said that it was exploring both the possibility of raising capital and the sale of assets to enhance its equity capital base.

In a statement with its earnings report, it said that as of Dec. 31, its common equity ratio was 3 percent compared with 3.9 percent a year

earlier.

Bankers Trust earned \$284.5 million in the fourth quarter, or \$3.70 a share, compared with \$97.5 million, or \$1.39, a year earlier, primarily from higher foreign exchange trading income,

the bank said.

For the year, Bankers Trust earned \$1.2 million, or 2 cents a share, versus \$427.9 million, or 56.01 a share in 1986, as profits were battered by the \$700 million addition to Third World loan reserves in the second quarter. Without this addition, net income would have been \$637.2 million for the year or \$8.79 a share.

Continental Illinois of Chicago said that it had a loss of \$235.8 million for the fourth quarter, versus a profit of \$43.5 million in the year-earlier quarter, because of previously announced loan-loss provisions for Third World debt and for losses at its options trading subsidiary.

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The bank also said that it added \$9 million to its reserves in the fourth quarter for possible future losses at First Options of Chicago Inc.

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Japan Car Makers Deny **Chrysler Dumping Claim** 

TOKYO — Japanese automobile manufacturers said Wednesday that allegations by Chrysler Corp. that they were illegally selling cars in the United States below cost were unfounded and simplistic.

Chrysler's vice chairman, Robert S. Miller, had said Tuesday that his company might file a complaint with U.S. trade authorities. He claimed that the U.S. prices of Japanese cars had some up 25 percent in the last two-and-a-

A spokeswoman for Nissan Motor Co. said the strong yen had reduced the cost of parts and production, that production had been streamlined, that domestically sold cars were highly taxed and that "models sold here and in the U.S. have different equipment."

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Statoil Gets Rights To China Oil Field

OSLO—Statoil, the Norwegian state oil company, said Wednesday it haddsigned an agreement in Beijing giving it exploration rights in a large sector of the South China Sea.

China has made Statoil the operator of a 1,496-square-mile (3,740-square-kilometer) sector off Hainan island, splitting the rights equally between Statoil and the Chinese National Offshore Oil Corp., a Statoil spokesman said.

Statoil, in turn, has committed itself to a one-year exploration program in the sector, including seismic surveys and one well, with an option to drill more wells. Statoil, a major North Sea operator, has for several years advised China on how to develop its offshore activities.

Austrian Banker Fined

\$91,000 for Perjury

\*\*VIENNA—The Vienna district court has ordered Hannes Androsch, managing director of Creditanstalt-Bankverein AG. Ansmilion schilling (\$91,060) fine for perjury, court sources said wednesday.

Mr. Androsch, 49, a former finance minister, was convicted of lying while testifying in 1980 to during a parliamentary investigation of cocruption in the building of the Vienna General Hospital. Mr. Androsch was alleged to have used kickbacks to build a posh villa.

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## Fast-Growing Nokia to Buy Ericsson Data Systems

Ruling on Benedictine Bid

PARIS - Benedictine SA, the French liqueur manufacturer, was

told Wednesday by the French stock market commission to delay an extraordinary shareholders meeting called for next Monday, at which

stockholders were to be asked to approve an increase in capital.

The delay is to allow shareholders time to consider a hostile

takeover bad by a unit of the cognac house E. Remy Martin &

Compagnic. Benedictine's board rejected the offer, made Monday.

The commission said it would not be possible to distribute details of

The meeting had been called before Remy announced its bid of 6,200 francs (\$1,092) a share for 60 percent of Benedictine.

The association said it would be appropriate that "shareholders

being asked to vote on the reserved capital increase can have at their

disposal, at the appropriate time, the necessary information on the

The association also recommended that the Feb. 19 deadline for

Remy's bid be extended beyond the date of the rescheduled meeting.

140,000 shares. At the special meeting, shareholders were to be asked

to approve two capital increases through issues of new shares and

investment certificates, one reserved for the British brewer Whitbread

**Apple Computer's Net Profit** 

Apple attributed the most recent results, which it called "tremendous," to success of new products

Revenue for Unity's rose in the fourth quarter \$2.8 billion, from \$2.53 billion.

& Co. and the other for Union d'Etudes & d'Investissement.

Benedictine has a 14 million franc share capital, divided into

the Rémy & Associés offer before Thursday.

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products, shot up by 108 percent in

its most recent quarter to a record

. Profit for the first fiscal quarter,

7 percent, while Volvo's less lenown earlier quarter, net profit had been truck and food divisions produced \$58.5 million, or 45 cents a share. Corp. and Burroughs Corp.

By Juris Kaza Special to the Herold Tribune STOCKHOLM - Oy Nokia AR, the Finnish electronics and industrial group, said Wednesday that it would acquire the data systems division of Encisson Information Systems AB of Sweden and merge it with its own office auto-mation activities. The value of the

transaction was not disclosed. Nokia, which has expanded and diversified rapidly through acquisi-tions since 1983, said a would form a new subsidiary, Nokia Data Systems AR. The unit's headquarters are to be in the Stockholm suborb of Kista, where Ericsson Informa-

on Systems is based EIS is a subsidiary of L.M. Erics

Ericsson's data systems division makes data terminals, personal and. minicomputers, and banking and business automation systems.

**Volvo Posts** 

Record Year

STOCKHOLM - Volvo AB on

Wednesday reported record pretax profit of 9 billion kronor (\$1.5 bil-

ion) for 1987, a 20 percent increase over the 1986 figure of 7.5 billion

. The result was substantially bet

ter than analysts had expected.

Most had said the company would

U.S. dollar reduced sales by around

4 billion kronor. That left group

sales, at 92.4 billion knonor, still 10

percent above the previous year.

"The figures are amazingly good," said Peter Dupont of Phil-

lins & Drew, a London brokerage.

The 1987 profit figure included October's 1.15 billion kronor sale

U.S.-based Hamilton Oil Corp.

Volvo's 49.6 percent stake in

Even discounting that, the com-

hillion kronor, better than the pre-

vious record of 7.7 billion kronor,

achieved in 1984 when the dollar

lenhammar, said that profit had

been boosted by a strong fourth

quarter. "As a whole, 1987 was a

the company's revenue and ana-

The company's fledgling acro-space division recorded a 19 per-cent increase in sales.

"Volvo's underlying business is

Sales of Volvo's expensive cars

Sales rose 57 percent to \$1.04 contribute by far the biggest part of billion from \$662.3 million.

lysts had expected the falling dollar which ended Jan. 1, was equivalent

to hit them hard. But car sales rose to 92 cents a share. In the year-

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For Profit

West Germany, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Britain, France and Spain: On other European markets, Ericsson group, Bjoern Svedberg, Nokia Data products will be sold said, "We are selling a company by Encson. Although Ericsson and Nokia

declined to disclose the value of the acquisition a Stockholm analyst eculated that it was worth about l billion kronor (\$165.8 million).

In London, David Owen, an analyst with Savory Milln Ltd., said he considered the 20 percent stake Ericsson will have in the new company to be part of the payment.

Kalle Isokallio, who has been san AB, the big electronics compa. Data, said that the new company named managing director of Nokia are buying is definitely not a sick would have combined sales of around 7 billion kronor.

He said that the new company would have an installed base of about 625,000 terminals in Scandi-Finesson will retain a 20 percent navia and Europe that eventually It was the latest in a series of share of the new company, will need service, appraising or remajor acquisitions that have trans-Nokia Data also will take over placement. It will be the second formed Nokia from a little-known

sales units of Ericsson Information largest supplier of data terminals in Systems in Sweden, Denmark, Europe, Nokia said.

West Germany, Switzerland, the EIS has posted losses in recent mobile telecommunications and mobile telecommunications and years, but the president of the the European consumer electronics markets.

> Brian Knox, an analyst of Scanthat is restructured and profitdinavian shares at Kleinwort, Grieveson Ltd. in London, said he Yet he added that the cale's prindoubted that integration of Nokia's recent acquisitions would be easy.

> > Mr. Knox said.

cipal effect on the Ericsson group would be "to allow us to put a greater effort into the units that are more profitable."

Nokia's chairman, Kari Kairamo, predicted that sales of the new unit would expand. "Our information systems business has steadily grown, and the part of Ericsson Information Systems we

Mr. Owen said that a major attraction of the deal for Nokia was that it would gain communications-oriented specialists from

have just begun to recover. It was the latest in a series of Nokia also recently announced the formation of a cellular tele-

## Study Says BP Undervalues Britoil Shares by 249 Pence

LONDON - Britoil PLC said Wednesday that its shares were worth 55 percent more than British Petroleum Co. has offered to pay for them in a takeover bid.

The North Sea oil producer said that according to an independent valuation of its assets by Robertson ERC Ltd., Britoil shares were worth 699 pence (\$12.43) each. Last Thursday, BP offered 450 pence a share for the 70.1 percent of Britoil that BP does not already own.

Britoil shares jumped 23 pence to 477 pence on the announcement
before easing to 473 pence in late trading on the London Stock Exchange.

The valuation puts Britoil's assets at £3.53 billion (\$5.24 billion) Britoil said in a statement.

"We have consistently stated that BP's offer undervalues Britoil," said David Walker, the chief executive. Britoil also announced a major oil and gas discovery in the North

Sea that is estimated to contain 200 million barrels of oil and 600 billion cubic feet of gas reserves. It said the find, about 200 miles (325 kilometers) north of Aber-

deen, helped enhance the value of Britoil, which is the target of a bidding war between BP and Atlantic Richfield Co. BP's 29.9 percent stake in Britoil compares with Arco's 24.03 percent holding. BP, meanwhile, said it was extending the closing date for acceptances for its £2.27 billion bid until Feb. 18.

**American Home Wins Robins Over** 

#### Cash Up Front for Dalkon Claims Beats Sanofi, Rorer Bids

### The offers from Sanofi and trict Judge Robert R. Merhige Jr.

By Barnaby J. Feder New York Times Service

"I don't think the python will be

He referred to the new company

able to digest both goats in peace,"

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But Mr. Owen of Savory Milln

said Nokia's acquisitions reflected

He said the Finnish group had

driven hard, even "ruthless" bar-

gains to acquire companies that

renz AG of West Germany.

"a good sense of timing."

NEW YORK - A.H. Robins Co., abandoning an agreement to be taken over by Sanofi SA of France, has accepted a sweetened bid from American Home Products Corp. The new bid has the support of representatives of nearly 200,000 women who say they were injured by Robins's Dalkon Shield birth control device.

The deal announced Tuesday had already been endorsed by representatives of shareholders of Robins, a pharmaccuticals company based in Richmond, Virginia. It ended a bidding war that had pit-ted American Home against Rorer Group Inc. and Sanofi, a unit of the French state oil company Société Nationale Elf Aquitaine. Both said they would not sweeten their offers

It marked the first time since Robins filed for protection from creditors under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in August 1985 that all the major parties to the proceedings had agreed on a CUPERTINO, California - Unisys Corp., said Wednesday that plan to resolve Robins's liabilities. American Home said it would Apple Computer Inc. said Wednes- it had swung from loss to a record provide either \$2.375 billion in cash day that net profit, buoyed by new profit in the fourth quarter of 1987. as soon as the takeover was com-Unisys said earnings for the pleted or \$2.475 billion one year three months ended Dec. 31 totaled later to set up trust funds to compensate the women. The offer rep-That compared with a year-earliresents an improvement of at least er loss of \$188.5 million that \$225 million on the company's ear-

lier offer to the claimants. charges. The charges related to the American Home would also give Robins's shareholders stock worth the U.S. retail rental chain, for quired concern or because they competed with them. \$700 million and provide funds to pay Robins's back taxes and its creditors, liabilities that lawyers estimate at \$100 million.

\$2.8 billion, from \$2.53 billion. The cash payment to the trust Unisys attributed much of the funds would include \$100 million and strong sales momentum in domestic and international markets.

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Rorer had drawn steadfastly chilly reactions from the claimants' committee because the companies would have set aside money to pay the claimants over a longer period

Sanofi said Wednesday in Paris that it would not raise its offer, originally valued at \$600 million. Rorer, based in Fort Washington, Pennsylvania, said Tuesday that it would not increase its bid, which it valued at \$750 million.

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The Robins-Rorer agreement was based on a bankruptcy reorganization plan that proposed providing \$1.75 billion to the Dalkon Shield claimants.

After Judge Merhige ruled that Home would be completed as soon \$2.475 billion would be needed to as Robins's bankrupicy reorganiza-tion plan is confirmed by U.S. Dis-gotiations to increase its offer.

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#### PEORIA: European Buyers Let the Locals Run Things

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Mr. Fromstein said.

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that entailed a management change, British Petroleum Co. forced out Standard Oil of Ohio's American chief executive and replaced him with one of its own

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AMSTERDAM DEPOSITARY COMPANY N.V. Amsterdam, 14th January 1988

#### Manpower Inc. was acquired last some measure of management conyear by Blue Arrow PLC, Britain's trol by adding chief managers from largest employment agency, for headquarters to the U.S. board or, \$1.3 billion. To change the people in some cases, by transferring a would be to change a lot of what manager from headquarters who is British managers of Grand Met they paid a lot of money to buy," subordinate to the U.S. chief exec-

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from 29th January 1988 At Kas-Associatie N.V., Spuistraat 172, Amsterdam, div.cp.no. 21 of the CDRs Thorn Émi Pic, each repr. 50 shares, will be payable with Dils. 22.61 (re final dividend for the year ended 03.31.1987) 13.5p per share. Tax-credit £2.25 = Dils. 7.53 per CDR. Non-residents of the United Kingdom can only claim this tax credit when the relevant tax treaty meets this facility.

## ROYAL: Scottish Bank Casts a Line in Eastern U.S.

(Continued from first finance page) prudent to diversify and broaden

Royal Bank is represented in the United States by a full branch in New York and representative offices in Chicago, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Houston. At a time when a British compet-

itor, Standard Chartered Bank PLC, is seeking to dispose of its major U.S. acquisition, Union Bank of California, Royal Bank is seeking links with a major regional player to gain prestige and entrée in the East Coast market

And Barrett, a banking analyst at Hoare Govett Ltd., noted that British banks "more often usan has been a story of numerous bad or mediocre purchases. If Royal Bank is going to buy in the U.S. it surely will go for a quality business. Trecognizing that its experience in U.S. banking is limited. It will not go for a turnaround situation."

The company has examined a range of potential acquisitions in finance has got to be twice as good as a London company before younged," Mr. Winter as not seen not seen the future.

"A Scottish institution engaged in financial services other than through the counters of retail bank believes it would be better to mover rather than later on an a the history of U.S. acquisitions by British banks "more often than not

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heavy Latin loan exposure is obviquanters, where most of its employmy in the short-term," he added.

ously not in the cards for RBS. ces. work, offers significant cost "But then again, we're not in it for Scottish banks historically have savings. Office space in Edinburgh the short term." played little role in financing trade rents for £9 to £10 per square foot to South and Central America, to (about £100 to £110 per square metheir present good fortune.

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have it in the City," Mr. Winter RBS still managed to raise its said. There is no need here, as in

million in the year ended Sept. 30. For help in charring its course from £184.5 million a year earlier. both in Britain and abroad, RBS The group's U.S. strategy is part recruited George Mathewson in of Royal Bank's wider goal of September as director of strategic planning and development. Mr. British bank into an Edinburgh-based Mathewson, 47, is the former chief executive of the Scottish Develop-

ment Agency, a public-sector plan-ning group that has helped revive parts of the ailing Scottish econo-my through joint venture and taxincentive proposals.

Another big computer maker,

\$216.9 million, or \$1.09 a share.

stemmed from restructuring

formation of Unisys in September

Revenue for Unisys rose 10.7

percent in the fourth quarter to

At the development agency, he showed a talent for cutting through bureaucratic obstacles. "Mathewson does strengthen ex-

ecutive management, and his past experience makes him well suited for the role of strategic planning," Scottish-based analyst said. "It seems he is being groomed to succeed Winter in a few years' time."

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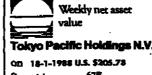
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#### L.F. Rothschild Plans to Halt Most U.K. Securities Activities

LONDON - L.F. Rothschild Holdings Inc. planned to close virtually all its securities operations in Britain and that it would let about 55

staff members go.

The decision follows similar moves by other securities firms on both sides of the Atlantic following the stock market collapse in October. Richard Jackson, the administrative manag-ing director in London for L.F. Rothschild, said ing director in London for L.F. Kothschud, said that the firm would cease London activity in Eurobonds, British government bonds and U.S. Treasuries, leaving 10 traders and support staff employees in London charged with maintaining Rothschild's own debt and equity accounts. Five professionals, including senior executives, traders and salesmen, will be reassigned to the New York office he said

the New York office, he said.

Mr. Jackson said the move was part of a wider plan to trim 700 jobs from Rothschild's worldwide staff.

"Substantially reduced market activity makes it more efficient to service our international clients out of New York." Mr. Jackson said. L.F. Rothschild is the sixth U.S. firm to

announce curtailed activities in Euro-securities markets this year, joining Merrill Lynch, Citi-corp Investment Bank and Manufacturers Han-

AMEX Highs-Lows

#### Thomson Buys Wilcox Electric U.S. Maker of Landing Systems

PARIS — Thomson-CSF, the French miliary electronics group, took a major step into the U.S. air traffic control market Wednesday by acquiring Wilcox Electric Inc., a leading U.S. maker of landing systems. The terms of the ourchase were not available.

Thomson-CSF, which already controls more than 30 percent of the world market in such systems outside the United States and East bloc countries, has a worldwide sales in that sector of more than 1 billion francs (\$178.6 million).
Wilcox, a subsidiary of the U.S. aerospace

group Northrop Corp., employs about 300 peo-ple and has annual sales of about \$35 million Thomson-CSF is hoping that the link with Wilcox will enable both companies to develop advanced microwave landing systems for sale in the U.S. and overseas markets.

## Korea Auto Output Seen Rising

SEOUL — South Korean auto production will increase by 43 percent to 1.4 million units in 1988, while imports of anto parts and components will fall, Trade Ministry officials told the national news agency Yonhap on Wednesday. The officials said that output of cars would reach 1.13 million units, with production of buses, trucks and other vehicles rising to 270,000 units, according to the agency.

But as local manufacturing efforts mature, imports of parts are expected to decrease from \$1.3 billion in 1987 to \$1.2 billion this year. Imports from Japan, which is Korea's main source for auto components, are foreast to fally more than 10 percent to \$852 million.

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## Dollar Falls on U.S. Trade Worries Compiled by Our Suff From Depotcher NEW YORK — The Gollar fell Wednesday to New York and Eu-

ing of the U.S. trade deficit in November might have been an sberration.

Dealers also apparently were testing the currency's lower levels to determine how far central banks.

would allow the currency to slip. The dollar closed in New York at 1.6570 Deutsche marks, down more than 2 pfennigs from 1.6795 DM at Tuesday's close. It fell to 127.15 yen from 128.60, to 5.5905 French francs from 5.6640 and to 1.3450 Swiss francs from 1.3685. It also lost ground against the British pound, which firmed to \$1.7955 from \$1.7765.

A report Tuesday that Japan's de surplus grew to \$8.6 billion in lember prompted concern in the market that the United States will report an increased trade deficit for December, said Rory O'Donohoe, a foreign exchange trader for Allied Irish Banks PLC in New York.

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"Basically the whole market turned around and pushed the dol-. lar down on the new Japanese sta-Mr. O Donohoe said. "People, automatically computed that the American deficit figures for the corresponding period will

On Friday, the dollar railied dramatically on news that the U.S. trade deficit shrank to \$13.2 billion in November from a record \$17.6 billion deficit in October.

Last Friday's figure, which we now come and gone - and we're back in the same position where we started." Mr. O'Donohoe said: "It seems the bears are back in town."

Robert Hatcher of Barclays Bank in New York said he believed "that the market has fairly comdollar. Now it's trying to define the down side, to see how far down it does not want to risk a further against the dollar.

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"There have been rumors of central bank activity today, but I've seen no evidence of it," he added. In Europe, a rumor that The Washington Post had run an article saying that the U.S. trade deficit for November had been understated by \$3 billion triggered a morning sell-off the dollar, traders said.

The selling faded after the Post denied it had printed such a story. But dealers said the market's will-

inguess to believe negative rumors

\$11.68 billion, compared with a restated deficit of \$15.96 billion in October.

In earlier European trading, the dollar was fixed in Frankfurt at 1.6634 DM, down from 1.6830 DM Tuesday, and in Paris at 5.6145 French francs, down from 5.6740. It closed in Zurich at 1.3555 Swiss (Reuters, UPI, AFP)

#### SUFFER: Costly Lesson in Politics

impact on prices is significant not only for Americans traveling or living abroad but on those at home birying more expensive imports or

In the last 12 months, inflation, as measured by consumer prices, has averaged 4.4 percent in the United States, compared with less than 1 percent in West Germany and Japan. This trend is likely to continue, or accelerate, in the coming year, largely because of the dol-

Rejecting the advice of those economists who have urged letting the dollar float lower as a means of reducing the U.S. merchandise a combination of intervention by trade deficit, President Ronald Reagan has declared that Washington wants dollar stability and is

#### U.S. currency.

The dollar closed in London at 1.6610 DM, down from 1.6765 DM at Tuesday's close, and at 127.55 yen, down from 128.60.

The U.S. Commerce Department said Wednesday that no revision had been issued of the U.S. trade figures for November, beyond its normal release of the deficit numbers less freight and insurance costs,

This restated deficit was put at

francs, down from 1.3700.

plunge in the dollar this election (Continued from Page 1) year, which could be both economically and psychologically disturbing to the electorate and to foreign governments goods from domestic producers Stock markets, too, have tended feeling less pressure from foreign

to react negatively to the falling dollar, and the last thing the administration wants is another shock like "Black Monday" before election day. At the same time, it does not want to see the Federal Reserve

Board raise interest rates to defend the dollar, lest higher rates choke the slowly growing economy into recession. The administration believes that the dollar can be defended at about its current level by central banks in foreign exchange markets and an "open mouth" policy --- warnings to currency specu-

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For Markets

LONDON - Did The Washington Post report Wednesday morning that the U.S. trade figures announced last week had understated the November deficit by \$3 billion?

It did not. Neither did The Wall Street Journal. And the Commerce Department, in Washington, said amantly Wednesday afternoon that there had been no mistake or change in the trade numbers.

But the fact that no such story existed did not stop jittery money markets in Europe from driving down the dollar. In consequen the London, Paris and Frankfurt stock markets all closed lower, too. The dollar and stock rallies that

began Friday, when the Commerce Department announced a far-lower than expected November trade defi-cit of \$13.22 billion, already had started to fade by Monday afternoon, as traders around the world became nervous that they may have overdone it. When the Japanese announced their trade figures Wednesday, showing an increased surplus, people started to ask: How do they count these numbers, anyway?

By the time the phantom story hit the financial grapevine, it only seemed to confirm worries, strengthened in the months since October's "Black Monday," that even good news can be bad.

Nobody in London seemed to be sure when or where the rumor about the U.S. trade figures story began. Some said in the Far East, others said in West Germany, But by the time The Washington Post bureau here opened at 9:30 A.M. the telephone was ringing off the fortably defined the top side for the working toward that with its trad- lators that they run the risk of be- hook. And by afternoon, when the ing partners. The administration ing hurt by central banks if they bet rumor had been pronounced nonsense, the damage had been done.

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## Japan's Surplus Draws EC Threat

ening trade surplus with the 12- ty from the community and its nation bloc and complained that Tokyo was more susceptible to pressures from Washington,

Willy De Clercq, the EC commissioner for external affairs, said that 1987 trade figures released Tuesday by Japan were wholly unsatisfactory and that the community must "reinforce pressure" on Tokyo "for a greater opening of

Mr. De Clerq said that in yen terms, Japan's surplus expanded with the EC last year while shrinking with trading partners elsewhere in the world, particularly the United States.

"These results lend credence to the idea that Japan attributes greater importance to American pressures and is ready to make concessions that it is not ready to make to

**Restated Deficit** 

Shrinks in U.S.

WASHINGTON - The

U.S. Commerce Department

said Wednesday that Novem-

ber's merchandise trade deficit,

after deducting freight and in-surance costs, shrank to \$11.68

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The numbers reported Fri-day showed a total November

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be reversed only by firmer action 1987 regardless. Wednesday assailed Japan's wid-still, and particularly more solidari-

> member states." According to the Japanese Finance Ministry, the nation's overall trade surplus in 1987 was \$79.83 atively steady against European costs. Medical care costs were up

billion, 3.5 percent parrower than currencies. \$82.74 billion in 1986. But in yen terms, Japan's total

trade surplus was reported at 11.59 trillion yen, down 15.6 percent from the previous year. The surplus with the United States shrank 12.4 percent to 7.57 trillion yen, while the surplus with the EC grew 4 percent to 2.94 trillion yen. An EC spokeswoman acknowl-

sential to improving cooperation between Tokyo and the EC. edged that, in dollar terms, the Japanese surplus with the United States increased by 1.4 percent. She said the community saw the yen figure as a more accurate reflection of trade trends, however.

She also noted that in dollar

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Service prices as a whole rose 4.6 in Japan's trade balance results percent in 1987, including a 5.8 percent rise in medical care and a against the dollar while holding rel- 4.0 percent rise in entertainment 0.4 percent in December and enter-

In Bonn, Economics Minister tainment costs 0.3 percent. December's overall increase left many welcomed a small decline in the CPI at 345.7 percent of its 1967 his nation's trade deficit with Ja- base of 100. That means a selection pan. But he urged Tokyo to do of goods and services costing \$10 in 1967 would have cost \$34.57 last month, up from \$33.11 for the

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In general, inflation was greater in the first half of 1987, when it advanced at an annual rate of 5 percent, than in the second half, vhen oil prices again eased.

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(Continued from Page 1) link between trade and human

rights, as it did a year ago. The document was written by

the new national security adviser, Lieutenant General Colin L. Powell, and was commented upon by other agencies before being published under the president's name. The changes would seem to mark a further improvement in U.S.-So-

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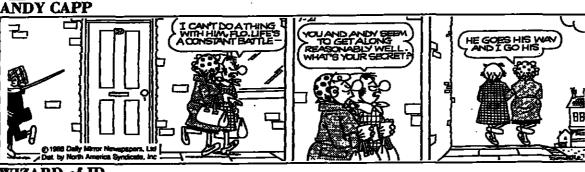






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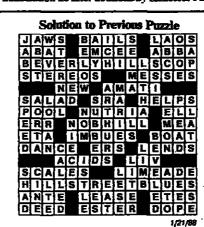
FATHERS AND CHILDREN By C.L. Sulzberger. 304 pages. \$19,95. Arbor House Publishing Co., 235 East 45th Street, New York, N. Y. 10017. Reviewed by Susan Cheever

HEN you too have a son," wrote Alexandre Dumas, author of "The Three Musketeers" and "The Count of Monte Cristo," to his son Alexandre Dumas, author of "La Dame aux Camélias," "love him as I love you, but do not rear him as I have brought you up." Since the younger man, Dumas file, was the son of a dressmaker whom his father had abandoned for a smaller whom his father had the son of a dressmaker whom his fauter had abandoned for a series of sexual escapades and miserable marriages, and since Dumas père careened from bankruptcy to years during which he lived on estates outside Paris like an English duke, his advice to his son was easy to adhere to, but hard to take. "My father," said adhere to, but hard to take. "My father," said Durnas fils, "is a great big child whom I had when I was a boy."

Yet these two novelists had more in common than their burly builds, odd flat features and taste for women and drink. Dumas père, one of the most prolific and brilliant French novelists. came from a tradition of outrageous behavior. He reported that he had often seen his father, a general in Napoleon's army who was sacked for obscenity, ride home into his stable and chin himself on the crossbeam while raising his cavalry horse between his knees. In the end Dumas père traveled down to Puy de Dôme so that his son could nurse him through his last days. "He died as he had lived . . without noticing," his son reportedly remarked when it was all over.

History is woven around extraordinary families, and no one could be more qualified to write about them than C.L. Subberger, historian longtime New York Times foreign correspondent and a member of the illustrious publishing dynasty at The Times. Sulzberger's book, covering 14 "famous leaders" and their famous or infamous fathers, gives us Randolph Churchill whining that "It is bard to grow up in the shadow of such a great oak," and Alexander the Great sarcastically mocking his inebriated father. Philip of Macedon: "Look, here is a man preparing to cross Europe from Asia, yet he cannot get from one couch to another with-out falling."

There are a variety of filial legacies here. Stalin's father beat him and chased him with a butcher knife, causing him the kind of pain and humiliation he later abundantly inflicted. Phil-



ip left Alexander a consummate war machine; of which he made brilliant use. Ekzabeth I's father, Henry VIII, probably gave her syphilis as well as the throne. Gentile Bellini hung around his father Jacopo's workshop; he and his brother Giovanni also picked up a few things from their brother-in-law, Mantegna Mozart had one of the first Hollywood parents, a father who was more concerned. a father who was more concerned with his son's immortality than the boy could ever be, and

immortality than the boy could ever be, and who alternately taught and pressured his son through most of his extraordinary life.

The most vivid couple in the book are Henry and Elizabeth, and Sulzberger manages to breath a little new fire into their often-told story, including Elizabeth's nightmarish child-hood, her father's wives and diseases, and her tenuous survival.

"Henry VIII's children suffered the weirdes] and most distorted upbringing imaginable." Sulzberger writes. "Catherine of Aragon had been compelled to watch her husband courting Anne Boleyn for six or seven years, a good deal of the time under the single roof that shellered all of them. Before he got rid of Anne, Eliza-beth's mother, Henry had fallen in love with Jane Seymour and moved her into the palace Then he decapitated Anne and married Jane Then he decapitated Annie and married hat the next morning." Elizabeth's father, who had six wives in all, murdered her mother. After that, Lord Seymour paid ardent and unsuccessful suit to the young girl and was eventually beheaded for his impertinence.

"That Elizabeth should have survived to

become one of history's most romantic and competent queens is a virtual miracle," Sulz-

berger concludes.

The structure of the book is often abandoned. There are many digressions and long quotations from his notes as a correspondent. He tells us about sitting 20 feet away from Stalin at the Soviet presiding and noticing the man's poor skin and his incessant doodling. There is Nehru, trying unsuccessfully to get his pet pandas to eat for Sulzberger's benefit, and then hitterly complaining that his activities the state of the sulzberger's benefit, and then bitterly complaining that he can't get

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All except two of Sulzberger's 14 couples are father and son, and all except two are politicians or statesmen. More than anything, the book is a ramble with Sulzberger and his faithful beagle, Christopher, through the cluttered corridors of history as he has known it in his long career. He's not really interested in the frighteningly powerful and compelling forces that bind children and their parents—forces barely contained in the fragile structure of family their extent without family. He is content to tell the stories without explaining them.

In the end, the book leaves an impression that the effects of parents on their children are not supremely important, and that the inheritances of the children are literally that, inheritances of a throne, or a fortune, or political position, or an army or a great plan. Perhaps the individuals in this book are just so extraordinary that in the end they transcend their parents, so that the relationship seems coincidental. "What you have inherited from your father," Goethe wrote, "you must earn over again for yourselves, or it will not be yours."

Susan Cheever is a novelist and the daughter of the writer John Cheever. She wrote this review for The New York Times.

### **BRIDGE**

By Alan Truscott

the New York metropolitan would not have defeated the hearts against six clubs in the area is the Tri-State Regional, contract: South would have other. played in Port Chester, New been able to draw trump and

Six years ago the same location was the site of the only spade queen and South won world championship to be with the ace. Sure of the club played in the Northeast in the position from the bidding, last two decades. Since then some of the players have been nessed the club jack to make

deal.

Seven diamonds is a sensible contract for North-South, and even with the bad breaks it can be made on a double-dummy basis if North is the declarer. But only one pair out of four, Sandra Landy and Sally Sowter of Britain, managed to play in diamonds.

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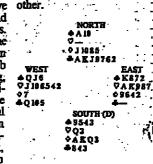
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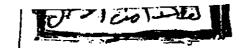
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ing. At least I was fighting hard.
Chesnokov gave me a lot of trouble. I know I'll have to lift my game

Wilander was a model of consis-

tency amid difficult swirling winds. Jarryd provided stiff opposition

a number of baseline slugging

Wilander was more adventure-

some than usual, particularly in the

second set when he advanced to the

net with surprising regularity. He

did not serve a single double fault,

and the errors he did make came

mostly at the net.

The women finalists will be decid-

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Kilsch and Chris Evert takes on

Martina Navratilova. (UPI, AP)

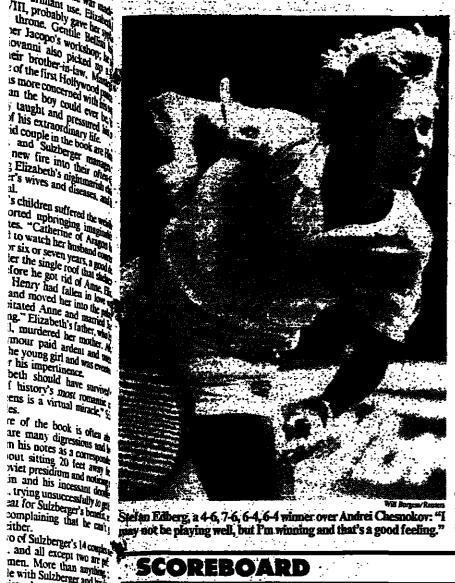
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## Edberg, Wilander Gain Australian Open Semis

Compiled by Our Staff From Dupatches break point for 5-3 in the second MELBOURNE — Defending set. champion Stefan Edberg withstood T a magnificent challenge from Anin the second-set tiebreaker, when,
drei Chesnokov Wednesday night at 5-5. Edberg appeared to hit a to scrape through to the semifinals forehand wide. The ball was ruled

of the Australian Open tennis tour-nament. out by the linesman, but umpire Bruno Rubeuh decided the point Edberg, seeded second and looking for his third straight Australian crown, used all his guile in turning back the Soviet challenger, 4-6, 7-6 (7-5), 6-4, 6-4. Edberg will meet Swedish compatriot Mats Wilander, the third seed, in Friday's chesnokov said of the tiebreaker's semifinal. The winner here in 1983-84, Wilander advanced by grinding down Anders Jarryd of Sweden, 7-6 (7-2), 6-2, 6-3.

The other semifinal will pit Ivan

"I felt empty out there," Edberg
Lendl of Czechoslovakia, the said, "but I decided to keep workworld's top-rated player, against Australian Pat Cash, who is seeded fourth here and who defeated Lendl for the 1986 Wimbledon crown. Neither has lost a set in the

Chesnokov, the only unseeded player to make the quarterfinals, stunned Edberg and the crowd of 5,000 at center court with his early perfect play in the opening

throughout the 80-minute first set, and Wilander had to fend off three set points in the 10th game. After He raced through a lethargic Edthat. Jarryd's baseline game fell berg with solid ground strokes and away as Wilander outlasted him in two-fisted backhands. "Come on Andy," fans yelled as Chesnokov bolted to a 4-2 lead and beld a

#### **VANTAGE POINT/Tony Kornheiser**

## A Winning Record and All Due Respect

WASHINGTON - Please pay attention, because I'm only going to do this once. For the next two weeks, as we all participate in the Super Bowl schmooze, stories in newspapers, radio and television will seize upon the notion that the Washington Redskins are given no respect. You might see the phrase "Rodney Dangerfields of the NFL," and you might hear an endless parade of Redskins bitterly denounce the media for underrating them.

It has started already. Chomping on a cigar after the victory over Minnesota in the National Conference title game, Mark May intoned: "We defied the odds. But they're never satisfied. They don't care who we beat --- they never give us our due." Are you now, or have you ever been, a they? The basic tenet of the theme is that everyone not draped in burgundy and gold thinks the Redskins couldn't beat The Golden Girls.

There may have been some truth to it in 1982, when the Redskins exploded to 8-1 from 8-8 the previous year, but it was ridiculous in 1983 when they dominated the National Football League and it's derivative now. Enough. Cease and desist.

I don't know why the Denver Broncos are favored to win the Super Bowl I guess people think John Elway is good enough to win it. And I can understand how they might conclude the Redskins are vulnerable to a great quarterback - Dan Marino, one of the select few on Elway's side of the table, beat Washington this season virtually by himself.

Still, the people I've talked to who closely follow the American Conference West say that Denver is about as good as it was last season, not necessarily better, while the Redskins seem to be improved.

Last season, in Denver, the Broncos beat the Redskins by 31-30 in a game that saw Max Zendejas blow one extra point and two field goals. It was his last game as Washington's kicker. If Denver is pretty much the same and if Washington is a little better and if the Super Bowl (in which, by the way, Denver is 0-2 and hasn't come within a sniff either time) will be

played at a neutral site, what rational man makes the Broncos 312-point favorites?

Granted, I can see how Denver's becoming the favorite would prompt May and others to resurrect the theme of disrespect. But I think a better word might be "misunderstood." Because if you look at the record you'll find that during the last six seasons the Redskins

In the last six seasons the Redskins have been to the playoffs five times, the NFC championship four times and now the Super Bowl three times. If they send you a ballot for the NFL franchise of the 1980s, it would be silly to write down anything but Washington.

are the best team in the NFL. Their overall record, including playoffs, is 76-25. Denver's, for example, is 60-34-1.

Not to belabor the point, but during that span the Redskins have been to the playoffs five times, the NFC championship four times and now the Super Bowl three times. If they send you a ballot for the NFL franchise of the 1980s, it would be silly for you to write down anything but Washington.

But if disrespect is your word, consider the

Coach Joe Gibbs must be superstitious about being favored, because he does all he can to torpedo the notion whenever it comes up. (Same thing in politics: Nobody wants to be

the front-number until it's time to count the

votes.) Gibbs gets a rash if anyone suggests the Redskins might be better than an opponent. Reporter: Looks like a breather next week. Joe. Not a bad move, scheduling Vestal High

Gibbs: The way they're playing, they've got to be considered the favorites.

Reporter: Joe, they're 16 years old. Gibbs: Age is a tricky thing. They're amaz-ingly quick, really well coached, and much more mature than you'd expect. It's a gut-

Reporter: Their parents want you to make

sure to get them home before 9. Gibbs covets being the underdog so he can motivate his team into a maximum effort each game. Apparently he's fearful that performance might suffer if the Redskins were actually accorded the respect they covet. But the more you hear the coach poor-mouth his

team, the easier it is to fall for it. And there's the matter of the margins this season: Washington beat the Jets by 1, the Giants by 4, the Bears by 4, the Vikings by 3 and 4. The Redskins might be influenced by the fact that while they were only 15 points shy of 17-0, they were also only 21 points away from 8-9.

But they themselves have to be impressed with their performances in their final three games, all must-win contests (two of them, by the way, on the road, where Denver hasn't played in more than a month). Put to a severe test in each game, the Redskins responded heroically. Under Gibbs, they're traditionally better not just in the second half of the season, but also in the second half of each game.

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Guard Russ Grimm has been on all the Gibbs teams. "There's really no way to explain why our games are so tight," he says. "That's just us. It seemed to me like we dominated Minnesota everywhere but on the scoreboard, so people might wonder about us. On the other hand, even when we're playing bad, you look up at the scoreboard and we're still in it."

People can respect that.

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American League
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KANSAS CITY—Agreed to terms with
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NEW YORK—Agreed to terms with Cacilla Guante, Pitcher, on a one-year contract.

TEXA5—Signed Steve Kemp, outfielder, to

a control with Oklohome Cily of the Ameri-can Association.

National League
PITTSBURGH—Signed Ration Bellions. shortstop, to a one-year contract, ST. LOUIS—Agreed to terms with Willie McGee, outfielder, on a three-year contract. BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
SACRAMENTO—Waived Franklin Ed-

words, guard, Activated Derek Smith, guard-larward, from the injured list. SAN\_ANTONIO—Recasioned Bob Sass. pemeral manager, to vice president in charge of basketball operations. Named Russ Backblader executive vice president in charge at National Football League

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> sixth-highest salary in baseball, al and join the Cubs. The Toronto Blue Jays submitted a figure of \$1.725 million. Dawson

Either Bell or Dawson could break the record for the highest salary awarded by an arbitrator the \$1.975 million given to Don Mattingly of the New York Yankees last winter.

Bell, who hit 47 homers and drove in a league-leading 134 runs last year, would trail only Ozzie Smith, Jim Rice, Gary Carter, Eddie Murray and Mike Schmidt in

Eligible for free agency following the season, Bell wants to avoid arbitration and sign a long-term contract, said his agent, Randy Hendricks.

"We've always waited until the day before the bearing to settle," Hendricks said. "If we go to a hearing, we're not going to cry if we lose or gloat if we win. But if we don't settle on a multiyear contract, George Bell will play somewhere else in 1989."

Pat Gillick, Toronto's general

By Michael Janofsky

bly go through to a hearing. \$297,500. Johnson hit 37 homers in Dawson signed a blank contract 1987 and drove in 99 runs with 32 with the Cubs last spring, and the stolen bases and batted .265. The

team filled in \$500,000. Dawson. Mets offered \$625,000. who hit 49 homers and drove in 137 Seven players are being offered

Bell, Dawson Top List of 14 Seeking

Arbitrated 7-Figure Salaries for '88

They were among 14 players lion but has refused his request for bilitation. seeking \$1 million or more. A total a three- or four-year pact, submitof 94 players submitted figures for ted a figure of \$1.85 million. "After last year, put in a request of \$1.65 arbitration. the year I had and the contract I million; the Mets submitted a figsigned," Dawson said, "I don't feel ure of \$1.4 million.

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Minnesota submitted a figure of offered \$900,000.

ble for arbitration for the first time, which take place in the first three a group whose members are guar- weeks of February. Arbitrators anteed to almost double their sala- must choose one figure or the other ries. As a group, they averaged and may not compromise.
\$216,333 last season. The clubs' of"I think some of the numbers are fers for 1988 average \$425,130, a quite astounding," Tal Smith, who 96-percent increase; the 42 players represents 10 clubs in arbitration, are asking an average of \$359,607, a said Tuesday night. "The higher

166-percent increase. Reds, another first-time eligible, the higher risk he puts on a club."

Two players whose salaries were more than the team's offer. He cut in arbitration last winter are earned \$330,000 last year.

manager, said prospects for a conmact beyond one year are unpromsalary of \$775,000, a 161 percent \$950,000.

ising and that the case will proba-increase from his 1987 salary of

runs, also earned \$200,000 in bo- cuts by their clubs, including Dwight Gooden of the Mets, who Chicago, which has offered him a missed the first two months of the two-year contract for about \$3 mil- 1987 season while in cocaine reha-

Gooden, who made \$1.5 million

Seattle, Juan Beniquez of Toronto, Puckett, who batted .332 last Mike Mason of Texas and Jim Winn season with 28 homers and 99 runs and Gary Redus of the White Sox. asked for \$2 million, four times his batted in, asked for \$1.35 million. John Franco of Cincinnati had 1987 base salary with the Chicago He made \$365,000 in salary in 1987 the closest difference in numbers. and another \$60,000 in bonuses. He wants \$925,000 and the Reds

Most of the players will settle Puckett is one of 42 players eligi- their cases before the hearings,

that an agent submits, the higher he Eric Davis of the Cincinnati feels that a settlement might be, or

seeking increases this time. Among others eligible for the Orel Hershiser of Los Angeles, first time were Tom Henke of To- whose salary was lowered \$200,000

ronto, who asked for \$1.025 mil- last year to \$800,000, submitted a lion, a 252-percent increase from request of \$1.25 million. The Dodghis 1987 salary of \$291,000, and ers are offering \$950,000. Ted Higuera of Milwaukee, who asked for \$1.25 million, a 272-percent raise over the \$335,000 he from \$925,000 in 1986 to \$740,000

last year after a 7-12 season, sub-Howard Johnson, the New York mitted a request of \$1.2 million.

# Scouts From 16 NBA Teams **Watch Two Collegians Excel**

United Press International an NBA team. "I just tried to block PHILADELPHIA — Rodney it out so I wouldn't make any mis-Blake and Michael Anderson led takes." he said of the scouts looking their college teams to victories Tues- on. "If I think about it, it might day night, and boosted their chances affect me and hurt my game. I guess of leaving school high in the Nation- I was successful in the second half." al Basketball Association draft. Playing before scouts from 16 er possible high draft choice,

lifted Drexel to a 76-67 triumph but played only 26 minutes because over Marist. Blake scored 21 points and Nevada-Las Vegas 87, Utah St. pulled down 10 rebounds to power 83: In Logan, Utah Kerth James,

(1.80-meter) guard, followed in the scored 21 points on 7-of-8 shooting second game with 29 points, 22 of 10 lead No. 7 UNLV, the only them in the second half.

"We've seen a lot of zones and night, to its Pacific Coast Athletic double teams on Rodney this year," St. Joseph's Coach Jim Boyle said of

Blake, "so you can't have any notion throws, had a team-high seven reof how well he can play unless you bounds and added four assists in come to our gym and watch him in practice against only one gny. leading field-goal shooter, who was "He's 6-8, he's fast, he can run out with the flu. Freshman Stacy the floor and catch the ball and he Augmon contributed 16 points,

pro, the league will fold."

first player to turn pro if he makes 2, with a game-high 30 points.

Marist center Rick Smits, anoth-NBA teams in a doubleheader, scored 27 points in a losing effort. Blake led St. Joseph's to a 73-63 Playing despite a badly sprained victory over LaSalle and Anderson ankle. Smits made 12 of 15 shots

L Joseph's. Anderson, a 5-foot-11 starting in place of Jarvis Basnight. ranked team in action Tuesday

of early foul trouble.

Association victory.

James also hit all six of his free place of Basnight, the nation's leading field-goal shooter, who was has terrific instincts. If he's not a pro, the league will fold."

Karl James and Anthony Todd had 13 apiece for UNLV, 15-1 overall Anderson, his school's all-time and 5-1 in the conference. Reid leading scorer, would be Drexel's Newey led Utah State, 10-6 and 5-

## **UEFA Puts Off Until Spring** A Decision on English Clubs

United Press International

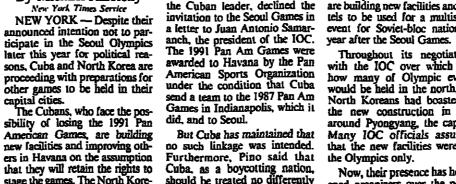
to return to European competition.

After a closed-door executive committee meeting, UEFA President Jacques Georges said that even if the decision at the May meeting is positive, it would be conditional on the behavior of English fans at June's European Championship in West Germany.

in Brussels just before Liverpool competitions next season.

was to play the Italian club Juven-MONTE CARLO - The Furo- tus in the European Champions' pean soccer union on Wednesday Cup final in May, 1985. In the riot, deferred until early May a decision sparked by English hooligans, 39 on whether to allow English clubs people died, most of them Italians. Among the unresolved questions, Georges said, are how many English clubs should be allowed in European competitions and what UEFA would do if a country refused to allow an English club to play on its soil because of fears of misbehavior.

Officials of the English soccer association and the English League expressed confidence that English The indefinite ban on the clubs clubs would be readmitted and followed a riot at Heysel Stadium would participate in European



that they will retain the rights to stage the games. The North Koreans are busy preparing for the Socialist Youth Festival, scheduled for the summer of 1989. Both countries announced last week they would not attend the

Seoul Olympics unless North Korea was given a role as a host country greater than what the International Olympic Committee had offered — the right to stage five events. Cuba added the condition that the safety of its athletes must be guaranteed.

Angel Pino, the press attaché of the Cuban interest section in Washington, which handles diplomatic relations for Cuba in the United States, said Tuesday that a velodrome, a bowling center and a stadium for opening and closing ceremonies are planned or under construction. Some existing facilities, he said, are

scheduled for improvements.

the Cuban leader, declined the

tion last week after Fidel Castro.

Cuba, as a boycotting nation, should be treated no differently from the United States, which did not participate in the 1980 Moscow Olympics for political reasons yet retained the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics and the 1987 Pan American Games.

"We expected there should be no reason to be different with one country from another," he said. "The procedures followed in the past should apply again." When Havana was awarded

the Pan Am Games in 1986, Argentina was the runner-up, and as such was designated as the backup site. A decision to move the 1991 games to Mar del Plata, Argentina, or elsewhere is expected to be made in November at a general-assembly meeting of the 37 members of the Pan American organization.

Meanwhile, in Scoul, officials Cuba's status as the host of the of the Olympic organizing communities and Am Games came into ques-Pan Am Games came into ques-

Cuba, N. Korea Make Other Plans Embassy said the North Koreans are building new facilities and hotels to be used for a multisport event for Soviet-bloc nations a

> Throughout its negotiations with the IOC over which and how many of Olympic events would be held in the north, the North Koreans had boasted of the new construction in and around Pyongyang, the capital. Many IOC officials assumed that the new facilities were for the Olympics only. Now, their presence has heart-

> bility that North Korea may reconsider its decision not to accept the IOC offer of fre events, inasmuch as the necessary infrastructure is in place. "North Korea's preparation

or five months to accommodate North Korea, should Pyongyang change its decision.

ened organizers over the possi-

for their own games makes lastminute arrangements for North Korea possible," said John Miller, a political officer at the United States embassy in Seoul. Organizers said that they are prepared to wait as long as four

"The feeling is that we're expecting a change of mind from the North Koreans," said Lee Jae-hong, a public relations officer of the organizing committee, adding that the time when it would become unleasible to alter schedules and sites is "still at

least four or five months away."



George Bell, who is seeking an \$880,000 raise — to \$2.105 million.

#### ART BUCHWALD

## 'I Like You-Know-Who'

WASHINGTON — "This is Are you saying the oil probably the toughest presidates are not qualified?"

The voter doesn't know the candidates, so we can't get any accurate information for our polls. "We'll find out at the next Come with me tomorrow and I'll house. show you what I mean."

The next morning we started ringing doorbells in Norfolk.

Virginia. "Sir." Zimmich asked the person who answered a door, "do you have a preference for one of the Demone of the Democratic candidates for presi-

Buchwald "I like them all, especially when make," the husband said.
"For heaven's sake," Zimmich they're sitting around arguing with each other on television as to who is cried. "Give me a name. Any more qualified to save the coun- name."

"You have to choose one," Zimmich said. "You mean they are not all run-

ning in a package?" "No, sir. They just look that way because you never see them photographed alone. Now pick a candi-

"I like the little fellow," the man

"There are several short people in the race. Could you give me a

"I don't know any of their names. Do you?" "I have a list here and I'll call

them out to you. Babbitt, Dukakis, Gephardt, Gore, Hart, Jackson, Si-

"I think it's Dukakis because he tells it like it is." "Like what is?"

"I'm not sure. I always say that when someone asks me which man

#### A Tourism Record in Tibet

The Associated Press BELIING - Tibet, closed to independent travelers since October because of demonstrations in Lhasa, had a record number of foreign tourists in 1987, the Chinese news agency Xinhua said. Tibet attracted 43,500 foreign visitors last year, compared to 30,711 in 1986.

dential election year the pollsters have ever had," Zimmich, a national pulse-taker, told me.

"How should I know? I have no idea who the hell they are."

"Thank you, sir," Zimmich said. "Do you think Dukakis has it

> A man and woman came to the door, "When it comes to a Democratic president, who are you for?"

Zimmich asked. The man said, "Gary Hart. He has a fine record."
"A fine record doing what?" his

wife wanted to know. "He's broke," the husband said. "but he knows how to have a good

"Anybody but Hart," the wife said. "Even what's-his-name." "I wouldn't give a nickel for what's-his-name. He's on the

"You know who I mean," the wife said. "The fellow who always

crosses his legs during a TV de-'Yeah, that's the one. She'd vote for him before she voted for Hart because that guy looks like he never

had a good time in his life," the husband said. We retreated from the house.

Zimmich was tallying up his sheet. "I have one for Hart and one for Dukakis. "You better give one to Jackson or he'll accuse you of rigging the

"Right. We have one more home to check," Zimmich said.

A lady answered and Zimmich addressed her. "I don't have much time. Are you going to vote Demo-cratic or Republican?" "They are all so good I haven't

made up my mind. I especially like Cuomo," she said. "He isn't a candidate." That's why I like him. Anyone

who isn't running for president has a mind of his own. "Would you take Cuomo over George Bush?" "Oh, no."

Why not?" Zimmich asked. "Bush would get mad at me," she replied. "Senator Bob Dole said on television the other night that although Bush hasn't done anything for the country during the last seven years he has a rotten temper."

# At 75, the Season of Erich Leinsdorf

By K. Robert Schwarz

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EW YORK — At the age of 75. Erich Leinsdorf has little use for honors, anniversaries and the like, "I don't believe in jubilees, and I don't believe in awards - in all this piffle - because we people who live with Haydn and Mozart and Bach, and we don't need any more medals."

Yet even Leinsdorf acknowledges that he is approaching a milestone in his long and varied career. On Thursday, the conductor will celebrate the 50th anniversary of his American debut by leading the New York Philharmonie in a performance of Haydn's "The Seasons." And Leinsdorf — who seems gracious, relaxed, firm in his convictions without being opinionated - expresses pride in the occasion. It pleases me that when the Philharmonic found out that this was an anniversary for me. Zubin Mehta. who had the time originally, vacated the week."

Fifty years ago, when Leins-dorf arrived in New York, his reputation was that of a budding opera conductor. A protege of both Arturo Toscanini and Bruno Walter, Leinsdorf made his debut at the Metropolitan Opera on Jan. 21, 1938, directing a performance of "Die Walkure" that has Kirsten Flagstad in the cast. Yet today Leinsdorf no longer conducts at the Met, devoting his time instead to orchestral performance. Why the shift in musical focus?

\*Opera has become almost impossible to present the way it should be presented," he says. For a conductor today it is only a frustrating experience, as risky as it you go to Monte Carlo. The overweening position of the stage directors, the time they need to prepare something; then come the cancellations, the changes of cast because nobody stays for more than three to six performances. Opera today is no longer even the mirror image of an ensemble, and opera that is not an ensemble is

Although it is easy to criticize lays much of the blame on con-

just not opera."

for six weeks, and then the conductor comes in, the grand maestro, and now everything is already set, including whatever insanities." Leinsdorf insists that the conductor, not the stage director, must be in charge. "The con-ductor decides who sings what. have been rewarded already, we and should also decide who directs what. And if he knows somebody wants to do a 'Don Gio-vanni' where the Don dies at the beginning and the Commendatore remains alive, then he should also change the music.

Disillusionment with opera heightened by a disastrous season with the New York City Opera in 1956, led Leinsdorf to redirect his career toward orchestral conducting. Between 1962 and 1969, he was music director of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, seemingly at the very pinnacle of his profes-sion. Yet, frustrated by the burden of nonmusical duties - and hindered by his reputation as a stubborn, abrasive director -Leinsdorf resigned. Since then he has led the life of a free-lance. returning each season to conduct a handful of his favorite orchestras. Now, it seems, he can concentrate on the music itself, and leave the other activities to those who choose to be music directors. An unexpected benefit has

been the freedom to design his own programs; no longer is he compelled to give yet another performance of Beethoven's Fifth. And he has nothing but scorn for the narrow repertory of many of his colleagues. "We beat the hell out of the Beethoven Ninth and the Mahler Second: for every right and wrong occasion they are being pulled out. It shows a superficiality, this going with only a few hit-parade pieces — and a few of us know that the music is being murdered, that overuse makes ev-

erything go state.

Possessing an immense repertory and an inquisitive mind. nsdorf is able to solve the dilemma by building programs without symphonies. "For in-stance, I did a concert in Chicago last year where I put on the program five concertos - by Milhaud, Poulenc, Hindemith, Straoverzealous directors, Leinsdorf vinsky and Kodaly. Yet you have to be supported." to admit that, except for 'Dumductors themselves. "Conductors barton Oaks," there was not really



"I don't believe in jubilees, and I don't believe in awards."

These are works that engage the players, and the moment that the players are engaged it goes over to

Commissioning new works is another way to expand the reper-tory, yet Leinsdorf feels that the whole process is seriously flawed. "People give out commissions like charity. They have absolutely no idea what they want, they pick out a name as in a lottery and say. 'Now write something!' You can-not produce new music without a demand, and this is not a demand, this is a moral conviction that the modern composer needs

Although composers have recently made attempts to create have abdicated their role. The one first-class work. And why audience demand by adopting stage director has been working not? Why always masterpieces? more accessible, tonal idioms, audience demand by adopting

Leinsdorf remains skeptical. "When I see this utterly oversimplified approach to tonality. I cannot even consider it. When you have lived for so many de-

cades with 'Tristan,' if you go

back to tonality, then you have to do it the way Stravinsky does it. "But today's regression reminds me of, for instance, if you have lived for so many years on a diet of meat, fish, coffee, vegetables, wine or whiskey - and suddenly you eat strained baby foods, you drink milk from a nip-ple of a bottle. That is what I call calculated. This is also how I ex-

becomes baby food — a regressive way of hearing music." Leinsdorf's personal solution is joy."

to expand concert programs by reviving neglected works from the recent and distant past. "I wanted to do Haydn. I wanted to do something out of the ordinary, and when it turned out that 'The Seasons' hadn't been done at the Philharmonic for 25 years or more, I decided this was the time " And "The Seasons," which has a spiritual meaning for me.

seemed appropriate for a 50th-anniversary celebration. Our expectations of the sound of 18th-century music, and Haydn in particular, have been changed by the burgeoning historical-performance movement Have Leinsdorf's interpretations been similarly affected?

"Today I would not do a SL Matthew Passion' the way I heard it done in my youth by Furtwangler or Walter or Klemperer, be-cause they did it in the 19th-century way. I would use only a small ensemble." Yet he is unconvinced by what he mischievously calls musical archaeology."

"I am delighted to go and hear original instruments as long as these people don't say, 'This is the way it was.' I am opposed to it being identified as the only right way; I don't go in for historicism under the heading of authenticity. Music changes: the Beethoven Ninth today is not the Ninth it once was. Just like a bridge sways in the wind, so works change; not only we change.

Leinsdorf, too, has changed over a half-century career. Now he can savor his freedom to travel, design programs and choose or-chestras. "My attitude, the one I know has changed, is that I consider as the first order of the day that one must PLAY music - one must not WORK music. And one must not file away on 50 pieces, but play more and more."

The rewards are moments of discovery, of ecstasy, "when I really feel outside, in another sphere. When I discovered Webern's arrangement of the Bach six-part Ricercar — what goes on when I hear this is one of the greatest musical thrills of my entire life. These are sounds which plain the success of all these sec- are not of this world. And there ond-rate Baroque composers. It are these moments in other works when this elation comes over one. That I would consider my greatest

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Handicapped Author Wins £20,000 Award The Irish author Christy Nolan.

who cannot walk, talk or control his twitching limbs, won one of Britain's richest literary awards with an autobiography hammered out by a "unicorn stick" strapped to his head. The 22-year-old Dubliner, his chin cupped in his mother's hands as he reaches laboriously for every letter on the typewriter, has been hailed for his book "Under the Eye of the Clock." "You have fashioned me as an equal to any other writer, be they creating words by hand or by head." Nolan said through his mother Bernadette as he received the £20,000 (about \$35,400) Whitbread Book of the Year Award in London. Pleading for the handicapped, he said: "To-night is my night for laughing, for crying tears of joy. But wait. my brothers hobble after me hinting." "What about silent us? Can we tool have a voice? Imagine what I would have missed if the doctors had not revived me on that September day long ago." He is a cerebral palsy victim who almost died of asohvxiation at birth. Each page takes a day to write as his mother joins in the back-breaking task of support-ing his head at the typewriter. A muscle relaxant drug has given him just enough control to pick out the letters.

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After winning a battle with the Swedish tax authorities, Max von Sydow has returned to his native country to do what he likes doing best — acting. The 58-year-old star, who was awarded 5210,000 by the European Court of Human Rights after a protracted legal dispute, is rehearsing at Stockholm's Royal Dramatic Theater for the first timein 13 years. Von Sydow says his return to the stage, where he started his professional career nearly 40 years ago, was prompted more by a feeling of age than the court case.
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